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About This Document

The Remote Database Facility (RDF) subsystem enables users at a local (primary) system to maintain a current, online copy of their database on one or more remote (backup) systems, protecting stored information from damage that might occur at the primary system. RDF accomplishes this by sending audit trail information, generated at the primary system by the NonStop Transaction Management Facility (TMF) product, over the network to the backup system. At the backup system, RDF software uses the transported information to update the backup database so that it reflects all changes made to the primary database. The backup database is usually current within seconds of the primary. If system capability is lost at the primary system, service can be recovered quickly at the backup system using the live backup database.

This manual describes the RDF subsystem as implemented in version 1, update 9 (RDF 1.9) for RDF IMP, RDF/IMPX and RDF/ZLT on J-series and H-series RVUs.

This manual contains introductory and conceptual information for new users, followed by directions for installing, configuring, and operating RDF and managing the RDF environment. It covers activities at both the primary and backup sites and fully describes all commands available to users. It provides complete reference information for these commands, including their syntax and semantics. Finally, it lists all RDF messages and describes their meaning and any corrective actions that users must take.

Supported Release Version Updates (RVUs)

This manual supports J06.03 and all subsequent J-series RVUs and H06.03 and all subsequent H-series RVUs, until otherwise indicated by its replacement publications.

Intended Audience

This manual contains information for everyone responsible for RDF installation, management, and operations on HP Integrity NonStop™ systems:

- System managers
- System operators
- Database administrators
- System analysts
- Application designers

Before reading this manual, you should be familiar with Integrity NonStop system architecture. You should also understand the TMF product on which RDF is based. For information about TMF, see the TMF manuals listed in “Related Information”.

Additionally, it is essential to note that throughout this manual the phrases NonStop SQL products and NonStop SQL refer to the NonStop SQL/MP and NonStop SQL/MX product set.

New and Changed Information in This Edition

Besides minor corrections and clarifications throughout the manual, the significant new and changed information contained in this manual are organised in the following manner:

New features in the RDF 1.9 manual.

- Added information on the new option of automatic deletion of RDF control files during initialization in “Initializing RDF” (page 79) and “INITIALIZE RDF” (page 212).
- Added new section on “Managing Multiple RDF Environments from One RDFCOM Session” (page 104).
- Added information on altering “UPDATEROPEN” (page 117).

- Added information on running a TAKEOVER command using an OBEY file/IN File in “Issuing the TAKEOVER Command in an Obey File” (page 142) and “TAKEOVER” (page 255).
- Added information about FASTUPDATEMODE in “Near Real Time Read Access to Updates on the Primary System” (page 149) and “SET RECEIVER” (page 232).
- Added information on support for long filenames in “Process File Names” (page 358).
- Added the figure for Triple contingency under “Using ZLT to Achieve the same Protection” (page 276).
- Added information on Subvolume/File Level REPLICATEPURGE option in Chapter 11 “Subvolume-Level and File-Level Replication”.
- Added the section “INCLUDEPURGE and EXCLUDEPURGE” (page 281).
- Added a new EMS event 931 that displays the ANSI name of a SQL/MX object on which a SHARED ACCESS DDL operation was performed.
- Added Fast TAKEOVER Guidelines in “How to Plan for the Fastest Movement of Business Operations to Your Backup System After Takeover” (page 144).

Updates in the RDF 1.9 manual

- Updated description of AUDITTRAILBUFFER attribute in “Configuring TMF for RDF Operations on the Primary System” (page 60).
- Updated information on Online dumps and configuration of UPDATEROPEN mode in “Configuring TMF for RDF Operations on the Backup System” (page 61).
- Updated recommended number of Audited files per volume in “Audited Files Per Volume on Primary System” (page 62).
- Updated details on PROTECTED mode in “UPDATEROPEN Attribute” (page 86).
- Added the section “Dedicated Image Trails or Image Trails on UpdateVolumes” (page 89).
- Added the section “Using Scripts for Easy and Fast RDF Initialization and Configuration” (page 103).
- Added and updated Table 4-5 “RDF States” in “RDF States” (page 113).
- Updated “Main STATUS RDF Display” (page 114).
- Updated effects and workaround for “Exceeding the Maximum Number of Concurrent File Opens” (page 125).
- Updated significance of audit pinning operation and precautions in “Audit Trails Pinned by RDF on the Primary System” (page 131).
- Added significance of taking TMF and online dumps on backup system with respect to business continuity in “TMF and Online Dumps on the Backup System” (page 154).
- Added the following sections in DDL Operations:
 - “With Shared Access” (page 160)
 - “Without Shared Access” (page 161)
 - “Adding a New Column” (page 161)
- Updated the STATUS command with description of its elements on (page 244).
- Updated the example to reflect new features in “Sample Configuration File” (page 360).
- Updated new limits for number of files open per updater in Table D-1 “Operational Limits for RDF/IMP, IMPX, and ZLT”.
- Updated message 733 in Appendix C (page 365).
- Added new error messages in “Messages” (page 365).

Document Organization

This manual presents three levels of information: introductory and conceptual information (Chapter 1), task-oriented guidelines (Chapters 2 through 7 and Chapters 10 through 14), and reference information (Chapters 8 and 9 and Appendixes A, B, and C). The following table shows

where to look for the information you need, based upon the responsibility you have or the kind of tasks you perform at your site:

Responsibility	Chapter/Appendix
System manager	All
System operator	1, 2, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 14, 15, 16, 17, A, C, D, E
Database administrator	1, 2, 3, 5, 6, 7, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, A, B, C, D, E
System analyst	1, 2, 3, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17
Application designer	1, 2, 10, 11, 12, 14, 15, 17, A, B, C, D

The chapters and appendixes contain this information:

- Chapter 1 (page 31) introduces RDF and its goals, features, and capabilities; describes the main RDF processes and their functions; introduces the RDFCOM and RDFSCAN command interfaces used to communicate with the subsystem; and presents an overview of RDF operation.
- Chapter 2 (page 57) describes how to configure hardware and prepare software for RDF installation and operation.
- Chapter 3 (page 69) explains how to install and configure RDF, including how to copy databases and files from the primary system to the backup system before starting RDF.
- Chapter 4 (page 99) discusses how to operate RDF, including how to issue RDFCOM and RDFSCAN commands and how to display RDF configuration parameters and operating statistics, change configuration parameters, and interpret log files.
- Chapter 5 (page 121) explains how to manage the RDF environment, including how to recover from file-system errors, respond to failures, stop and restart the RDF product, direct the backup system to take over application processing when a disaster occurs at the primary system site, and perform other specialized tasks.
- Chapter 6 (page 157) details how to back up altered database structures and how to resynchronize the primary and backup databases.
- Chapter 7 (page 167) describes how to synchronize entire databases or selected database volumes online.
- Chapter 8 (page 187) and Chapter 9 (page 261) present the syntax of all RDFCOM and RDFSCAN commands, respectively, and give examples of these commands.
- Chapter 10 (page 271) describes the triple contingency feature.
- Chapter 11 (page 279) describes subvolume-level and file-level replication.
- Chapter 12 (page 285) describes how to use the mapfile, maplog, and updater configuration record to support mapping between primary system and backup system subvolumes.
- Chapter 13 (page 291) describes support for auxiliary audit trails.
- Chapter 14 (page 295) describes support for network transactions.
- Chapter 15 (page 309) describes lockstep operation.
- Chapter 16 (page 323) describes SQL/MX database setup for RDF.
- Chapter 17 (page 337) describes the Zero Lost Transactions (ZLT) functional capability.
- Appendix A (page 349) summarizes the syntax of all RDFCOM and RDFSCAN commands.
- Appendix B (page 359) provides additional information about RDF, including reserved words, default values for configuration parameters, and system file descriptions.
- Appendix C (page 365) lists all messages that can be generated by the lockstep gateway, RDF processes, RDFCOM, and RDFSCAN, and their probable causes, effects, and recovery actions.
- Appendix D (page 463) lists all the operational limits that apply to the RDF/IMP, IMPX, and ZLT products.
- Appendix E (page 465) describes how to monitor RDF entities using ASAP.

Notation Conventions

General Syntax Notation

This list summarizes the notation conventions for syntax presentation in this manual.

UPPERCASE LETTERS

Uppercase letters indicate keywords and reserved words. Type these items exactly as shown. Items not enclosed in brackets are required. For example:

MAXATTACH

Italic Letters

Italic letters, regardless of font, indicate variable items that you supply. Items not enclosed in brackets are required. For example:

filename

Computer Type

Computer type letters indicate:

- C and Open System Services (OSS) keywords, commands, and reserved words. Type these items exactly as shown. Items not enclosed in brackets are required. For example:

Use the `cextdecs.h` header file.

- Text displayed by the computer. For example:

Last Logon: 14 May 2006, 08:02:23

- A listing of computer code. For example

```
if (listen(sock, 1) < 0)
{
    perror("Listen Error");
    exit(-1);
}
```

Bold Text

Bold text in an example indicates user input typed at the terminal. For example:

ENTER RUN CODE

?123

CODE RECEIVED: 123.00

The user must press the Return key after typing the input.

[] Brackets

Brackets enclose optional syntax items. For example:

TERM [*\system-name.*]*\$terminal-name*

INT[ERRUPTS]

A group of items enclosed in brackets is a list from which you can choose one item or none. The items in the list can be arranged either vertically, with aligned brackets on each side of the list, or horizontally, enclosed in a pair of brackets and separated by vertical lines. For example:

```
FC [ num ]
    [ -num ]
    [ text ]
```

K [X | D] *address*

{ } Braces

A group of items enclosed in braces is a list from which you are required to choose one item. The items in the list can be arranged either vertically, with aligned braces on each side of the list, or horizontally, enclosed in a pair of braces and separated by vertical lines. For example:

```
LISTOPENS PROCESS { $appl-mgr-name }
                  { $process-name }

ALLOWSU { ON | OFF }
```

| Vertical Line

A vertical line separates alternatives in a horizontal list that is enclosed in brackets or braces. For example:

```
INSPECT { OFF | ON | SAVEABEND }
```

... Ellipsis

An ellipsis immediately following a pair of brackets or braces indicates that you can repeat the enclosed sequence of syntax items any number of times. For example:

```
M address [ , new-value ]...

- ] { 0|1|2|3|4|5|6|7|8|9 }...
```

An ellipsis immediately following a single syntax item indicates that you can repeat that syntax item any number of times. For example:

```
"s-char..."
```

Punctuation

Parentheses, commas, semicolons, and other symbols not previously described must be typed as shown. For example:

```
error := NEXTFILENAME ( filename ) ;

LISTOPENS SU $process-name.#su-name
```

Quotation marks around a symbol such as a bracket or brace indicate the symbol is a required character that you must type as shown. For example:

```
"[ repetition-constant-list ]"
```

Item Spacing

Spaces shown between items are required unless one of the items is a punctuation symbol such as a parenthesis or a comma. For example:

```
CALL STEPMOM ( process-id ) ;
```

If there is no space between two items, spaces are not permitted. In this example, no spaces are permitted between the period and any other items:

```
$process-name.#su-name
```

Line Spacing

If the syntax of a command is too long to fit on a single line, each continuation line is indented three spaces and is separated from the preceding line by a blank line. This spacing distinguishes items in a continuation line from items in a vertical list of selections. For example:

```
ALTER [ / OUT file-spec / ] LINE

      [ , attribute-spec ]...
```

!i and !o

In procedure calls, the !i notation follows an input parameter (one that passes data to the called procedure); the !o notation follows an output parameter (one that returns data to the calling program). For example:

```
CALL CHECKRESIZESEGMENT (  segment-id          !i
                        ,  error              ) ;    !o
```

!i,o

In procedure calls, the !i,o notation follows an input/output parameter (one that both passes data to the called procedure and returns data to the calling program). For example:

```
error := COMPRESSEDIT (  filenum ) ;                !i,o
```

!i:i

In procedure calls, the !i:i notation follows an input string parameter that has a corresponding parameter specifying the length of the string in bytes. For example:

```
error := FILENAME_COMPARE_ (  filename1:length    !i:i
                             ,  filename2:length ) ;    !i:i
```

!o:i

In procedure calls, the !o:i notation follows an output buffer parameter that has a corresponding input parameter specifying the maximum length of the output buffer in bytes. For example:

```
error := FILE_GETINFO_ (  filenum          !i
                        ,  [ filename:maxlen ] ) ;    !o:i
```

Notation for Messages

This list summarizes the notation conventions for the presentation of displayed messages in this manual.

Bold Text

Bold text in an example indicates user input typed at the terminal. For example:

```
ENTER RUN CODE

?123
CODE RECEIVED:      123.00
```

The user must press the Return key after typing the input.

Nonitalic Text

Nonitalic letters, numbers, and punctuation indicate text that is displayed or returned exactly as shown. For example:

Backup Up.

Italic Text

Italic text indicates variable items whose values are displayed or returned. For example:

p-register
process-name

[] Brackets

Brackets enclose items that are sometimes, but not always, displayed. For example:

Event number = *number* [Subject = *first-subject-value*]

A group of items enclosed in brackets is a list of all possible items that can be displayed, of which one or none might actually be displayed. The items in the list can be arranged either vertically, with aligned brackets on each side of the list, or horizontally, enclosed in a pair of brackets and separated by vertical lines. For example:

```
proc-name trapped [ in SQL | in SQL file system ]
```

{ } Braces

A group of items enclosed in braces is a list of all possible items that can be displayed, of which one is actually displayed. The items in the list can be arranged either vertically, with aligned braces on each side of the list, or horizontally, enclosed in a pair of braces and separated by vertical lines. For example:

```
obj-type obj-name state changed to state, caused by  
{ Object | Operator | Service }
```

```
process-name State changed from old-objstate to objstate  
{ Operator Request. }  
{ Unknown. }
```

| Vertical Line

A vertical line separates alternatives in a horizontal list that is enclosed in brackets or braces. For example:

```
Transfer status: { OK | Failed }
```

% Percent Sign

A percent sign precedes a number that is not in decimal notation. The % notation precedes an octal number. The %B notation precedes a binary number. The %H notation precedes a hexadecimal number. For example:

```
%005400
```

```
%B101111
```

```
%H2F
```

```
P=%p-register E=%e-register
```

Related Information

This manual belongs to the NonStop data management library of manuals. It is the only manual that fully and directly supports RDF. To use this manual effectively, however, you should be familiar with the information for the TMF product described in the following publications:

- *TMF Introduction*, which provides a general overview of TMF concepts and capabilities for business professionals, application designers and programmers, and system managers and administrators.
- *TMF Planning and Configuration Guide*, which provides information on how to plan, configure, and manage a TMF system.
- *TMF Operations and Recovery Guide*, which describes how to monitor TMF operations, reconfigure TMF, perform online and audit dumps, and respond to a variety of exception conditions.
- *TMF Reference Manual*, which covers the syntax, cautionary considerations, and examples for using the TMFCOM command interface to the TMF product.

Another manual in the Data Management Library, *Introduction to Data Management*, provides an overview of NonStop data management products, including RDF, and discusses the use of these products in OLTP applications.

Manuals for other software products that contain information helpful to RDF users include:

- *SQL/MX Installation and Management Guide* and the *SQL/MP Installation and Management Guide*, which explain how to install the NonStop SQL/MX and SQL/MP relational database management systems and how to plan, create, and manage SQL/MX and SQL/MP databases and applications.
- *SQL/MX Reference Manual* and the *SQL/MP Reference Manual*, which describe the command and statement syntax and usage considerations for the NonStop SQL/MX and SQL/MP relational database management systems, including interaction with the NonStop SQL product for database protection.
- *SQL/MP Version Management Guide*, which describes version management for different versions of the NonStop SQL/MP software, catalogs, objects, messages, files, and programs.
- *TACL Reference Manual*, which discusses operations available in the HP Tandem Advanced Command Language (TACL), the standard command interface to the NonStop operating system. This is the interface through which you run RDFCOM and RDFSCAN and manage files used by them.
- *File Utility Program (FUP) Reference Manual*, which describes the command syntax and error messages for the File Utility Program (FUP).
- *Operator Messages Manual*, which describes various error codes.
- *Guardian Procedure Errors and Messages Manual*, which provides additional details about understanding and correcting file system errors.

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1 Introducing RDF

This manual describes the **Remote Database Facility (RDF)** subsystem as implemented in version 1, update 9 of the HP NonStop RDF/IMP, IMPX, and ZLT independent products. Customers who install RDF 1.9 can use existing RDF configuration scripts provided the scripts are not making use of new functionality.

This chapter, which is intended for all readers, discusses these topics:

- “RDF Subsystem Overview” (page 32)
- “User Interfaces” (page 38)
- “RDF Processes” (page 40)
- “RDF Operations” (page 42)

RDF monitors changes made to a production database on a local (primary) system and maintains a copy of that database on one or more remote (backup) systems. Because it applies changes to the backup database as soon as they are detected on the primary system, RDF keeps the backup database continuously up to date with changes made by business applications on the primary system. You are able, therefore, to switch your business operations from the primary system to the backup system with minimal interruption and loss of data in the event of planned or unplanned outages of the primary system. With NonStop RDF/ZLT, the failover involves no loss of data.

RDF also allows you to use backup databases as read-only resources to balance the overall workload and improve response times. Activities at a backup system can include querying the database, processing heavy batch-reporting loads, and consolidating data from multiple sites into one central site.

Backup systems might be located far from the primary system for protection against regional disasters, communicating with the primary system over an Expand network.

System managers and operators control RDF through RDFCOM, a utility much like the TMFCOM command interpreter used to access TMF.

RDF/IMP, IMPX, and ZLT generate fully-tokenized command, event, error, and warning messages in the Event Management System (EMS) log. System managers and operators can monitor those messages online using Viewpoint or whatever other tool they normally use for monitoring \$0. In addition, they can use the supplied EMS filter RDFFLTO with an EMS printing distributor to isolate the RDF messages to an entry-sequenced file which they then can peruse using the RDFSCAN utility.

RDF works with the **Transaction Management Facility (TMF) subsystem**.

There are three versions of the RDF product:

1. RDF/IMP (product number T0346) provides online product initialization, online database synchronization, triple contingency support, subvolume-level and file-level replication, stop-update-to-time (for quiescing the backup database to a stable state), and many other features.
2. RDF/IMPX (product numbers T0346 and T0347) provides the same functionality as RDF/IMP, but also replication of auxiliary audit trails, support for network transactions, and lockstep operation.
3. RDF/ZLT (product number T0618) provides zero lost transaction (ZLT) protection using mirrored disks.



NOTE: HP NonStop RDF software works with HP NonStop S-Series servers, HP Integrity NonStop NS-Series servers, and HP Integrity NonStop BladeSystems.

Before reading further in this manual, you should be familiar with the concepts, terminology, and functions of the NonStop TMF product. You should know about the objects on which TMF

operates, such as **transactions**, **audit trails**, and **audit volumes**. You should understand how TMF software uses elements like **before-images**, **after-images**, and **control records**. In addition, you should also understand the TMF processes that perform **backout**, **volume recovery**, and **file recovery**. If you are not familiar with this information, you should read *TMF Introduction*.

RDF Subsystem Overview

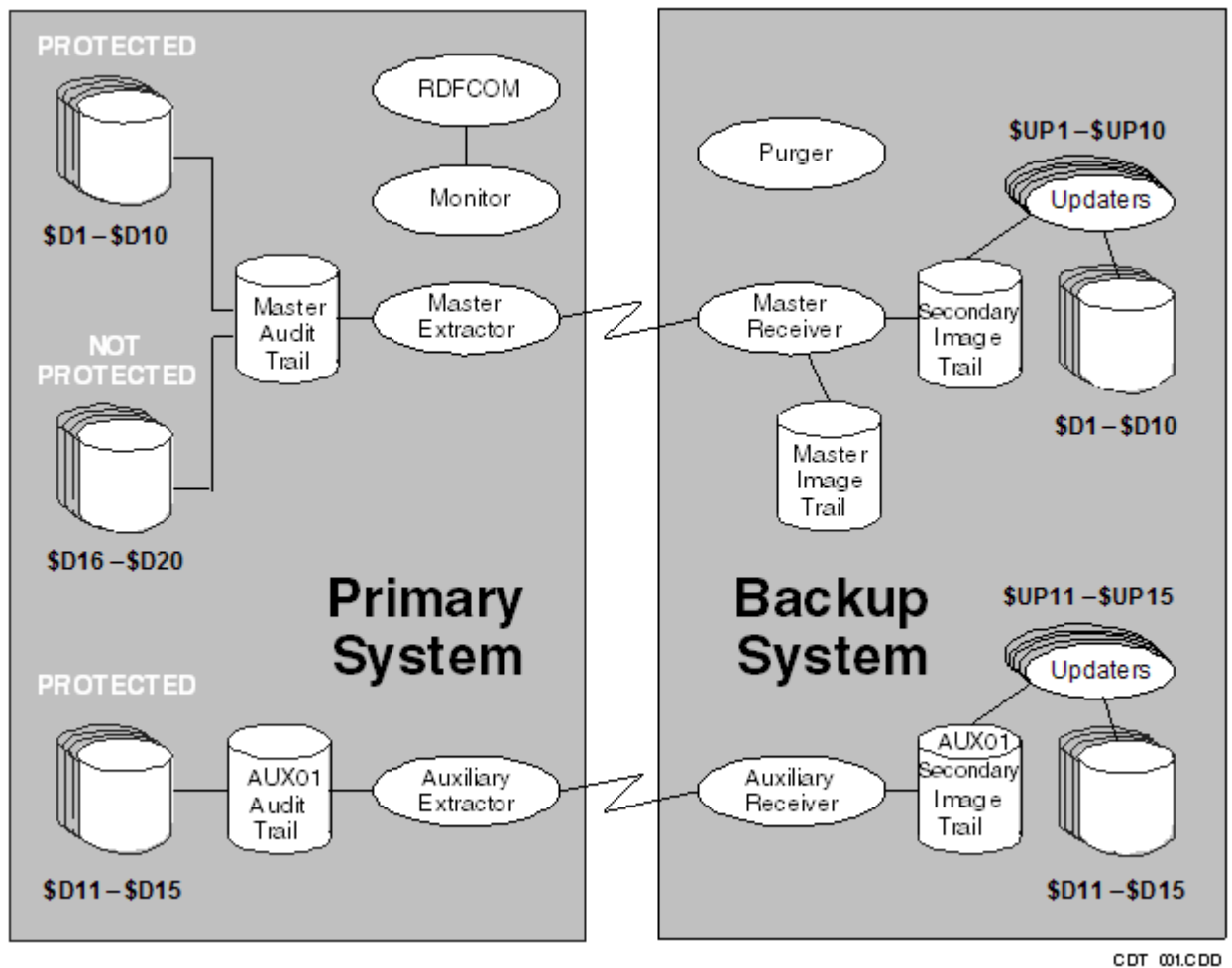
RDF maintains a logically replicated database on one or more backup systems by monitoring changes made to audited tables and files on designated primary system volumes and applying those changes to corresponding volumes on the backup system. Although logically the same as the primary database, a backup database is not an actual physical copy. For those volumes designated to be protected by RDF, the backup database contains the same data for all committed transactions as in the primary database.

On the primary system, RDF **extractor processes** read audit trails (logs maintained by TMF of all database transactions that affect audited tables and files), and send all audit records associated with volumes protected by RDF to RDF **receiver processes** on the backup system. Each receiver process sorts the audit records and writes it to the appropriate **image trail**. RDF **updater processes** on the backup system read their image trails and apply the changes to the backup database. An RDF **purger process** on the backup system interacts with the updaters to determine when image files can be purged.

Each volume protected by RDF on the primary system has its own updater process on the backup system responsible for applying audit records to the corresponding volume on the backup system.

Figure 1-1 illustrates a basic RDF configuration that protects data volumes configured to a Master Audit Trail (MAT) and an auxiliary audit trail.

Figure 1-1 Basic RDF Configuration



In Figure 1-1, there are 20 audited volumes on the primary system (\$D1 through \$D20). Only volumes \$D1 through \$D15, however, are configured for RDF protection.

Audit records for volumes \$D1 through \$D10 and \$D16 through \$D20 are sent to the master audit trail (MAT). The RDF master extractor process reads the MAT and sends audit records associated with volumes \$D1 through \$D10 to the RDF master receiver process on the backup system.

Audit records for volumes \$D11 through \$D15 are sent to the auxiliary audit trail. The RDF auxiliary extractor process reads the auxiliary audit trail and sends audit records associated with volumes \$D11 through \$D15 to the RDF auxiliary receiver process on the backup system.

The master receiver writes transaction status information to the master image trail. In this example, each receiver process writes all audit records to a single secondary image trail. As will be discussed later, however, either could write to multiple sorted image trails.

Updater processes \$UP1 through \$UP10 read audit records from the secondary image trail and apply it to volumes \$D1 through \$D10, respectively, on the backup system. For example, updater process \$UP1 only looks for audit records for tables and files associated with volume \$D1 on the primary system (ignoring any for volumes \$D2 through \$D10), and applies that information to the corresponding tables and files on \$D1 on the backup system.

Updater processes \$UP11 through \$UP15 read audit records from the AUX01 secondary image trail and apply it to volumes \$D11 through \$D15, respectively, on the backup system.

As mentioned earlier, the RDFCOM process on the primary system provides the user interface for issuing RDF commands. The RDF **monitor process** coordinates user commands among the RDF processes and monitors those processes during all RDF states.

An unplanned outage typically occurs as the result of a sudden disaster that prevents the database on the primary system from being used. The classic purpose of RDF is to make rapid recovery from an unplanned outage possible by maintaining a replicated database on a backup system. When the primary system is unexpectedly affected by a disaster, you can shift operations to the replicated database on the backup system after having the RDF updaters bring the backup database to a consistent state. You do that by starting RDFCOM on the backup system and initiating an RDF **takeover** operation.

An RDF takeover operation ensures that all audit records associated with transactions that are known to have been committed is applied to the backup database

Unplanned Outages With ZLT

Zero Lost Transactions (ZLT), functionality that is available only with the RDF/ZLT product, ensures that no transactions that commit on the primary system are lost on the RDF backup system if that primary system is downed by an unplanned outage. RDF achieves this through the use of remote mirroring for the relevant TMF audit trail volume(s). That is, one mirror of an audit trail volume remains local to the primary system, but the other mirror is located at a remote standby site.

When a primary system is downed by some unplanned outage or disaster, there might be some audit data that the extractor on the primary system was unable to send to the backup system before the outage. With ZLT functionality, RDF fetches all remaining audit data from the remote mirror, thereby guaranteeing no loss of committed data during the RDF takeover operation.

For information about the ZLT function, see Chapter 17 (page 337).

Unplanned Outages Without ZLT

Without ZLT functionality, it is possible for some committed transactions to be lost during an unplanned outage. When the RDF TAKEOVER command is issued, any transaction whose final outcome is unknown on the backup system is backed out of the backup database. One or more transactions might have committed on the primary system, but, before the extractor could read and send the associated audit data to the backup system, the primary system failed. Loss of audit data in this manner typically involves no more than a fraction of a second.

If the primary system is unexpectedly brought down because of a disaster, the outcome of some transactions might never be known, as illustrated in Table 1-1.

Table 1-1 Audit Records at the Time of a Primary System Failure

Primary database updates (Sequence in master audit trail file)	Updates sent to the backup (Sequence in image trail file)
TRANS100—Update 1	TRANS100—Update 1
TRANS100—Update 2	TRANS100—Update 2
.	.
.	.
.	.
TRANS100—Update 10	TRANS100—Update 10
TRANS101—Update 1	TRANS101—Update 1
TRANS100—Commit record	
(Primary system fails)	

In the example illustrated in Table 1-1, a disaster has brought down the primary system immediately after the commit record for transaction 100 was written to the MAT, but before the RDF extractor process was able to send the commit record to the backup system. For transaction

101, a single update was logged in the MAT and sent to the backup system, but the primary system was brought down before the transaction was completed.

When the command for a takeover is issued, the updater processes treat all transactions whose outcomes are not known as aborted transactions. In this scenario, only the changes related to transactions known with certainty to have been committed on the primary system are left in the backup database. Therefore, in the example illustrated in [Table 1-1](#), the audit records associated with transactions 100 and 101 is backed out of the backup database.

Typically, the extractor process sends audit records to the backup system within a second after it has been written to the MAT on the primary system, so a minimum number of transactions are lost when a disaster brings down the primary system.

Planned Outages

RDF can be very useful when a planned shutdown of the primary system is necessary. For example, you might need to bring the system down to install new hardware or to perform a system software upgrade. In such a situation, you might determine it is unacceptable to stop your business applications for the time required.

With RDF, you need only stop the applications momentarily, do a switchover from the primary system to the backup system, and then restart the applications on the backup system. When the primary system is ready for use again, you can use RDF to bring the primary database up-to-date with changes made to the backup database while the primary system was shut down. After the primary database is consistent with the backup database, you can perform another switchover, this time from the backup system to the primary system, and then restart the applications on the primary system. For instructions on how to perform a switchover, see [“Carrying Out a Planned Switchover”](#) (page 136).

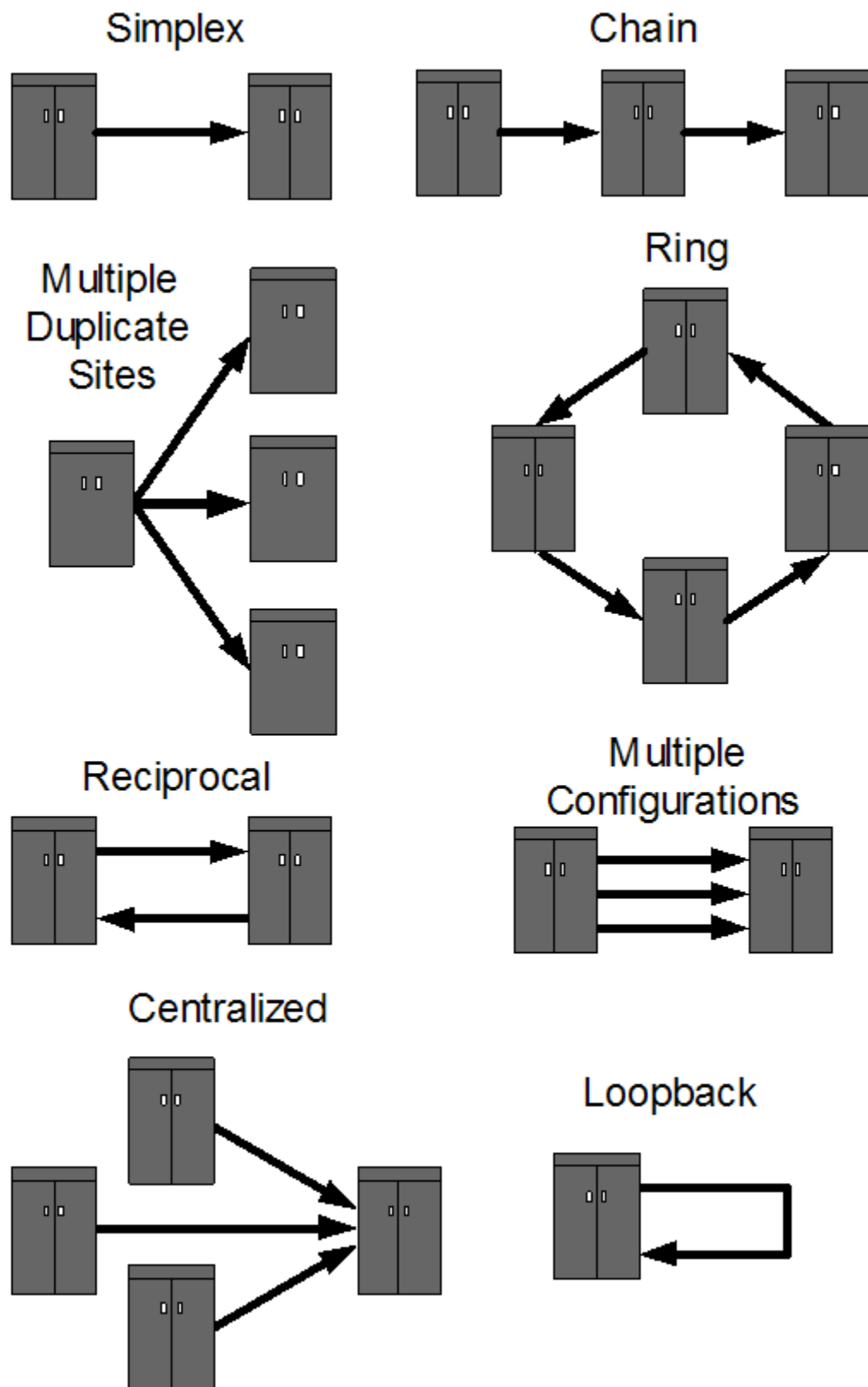
Features

In providing backup protection for online databases, RDF offers many advantages:

- **Continuous Availability**
RDF maintains an online copy of your production database on one or more backup systems. If the primary system should go down, the backup database(s) will be consistent and you can resume your business processing on a backup system with minimal interruption and data loss.
- **Fault tolerance**
You can restart RDF after a system failure. Single processor failures do not bring the subsystem down. If a double processor failure occurs, RDF goes down, but it can be restarted with no loss of data (issue a START RDF command after the processors have been restored).
- **High performance**
RDF can typically replicate data from the primary RDF node as fast as the customer application is capable of generating it.
- **Flexibility in protection**
You can run RDF with updating on the backup system either enabled or disabled.
RDF is also very flexible with regard to system interrelationships and to disk usage requirements on backup systems. Besides the most basic configuration of a single primary system protected by a single backup system, you can have configurations such as these (see [Figure 1-2](#) (page 37)).
 - Multiple primary systems protected by one backup system.
 - Reciprocal protection between two systems, where each is the backup to the other (different databases on the two systems).

- A single primary system whose database changes are replicated to databases on multiple backup systems. Such an environment makes possible simultaneous read-only access to all of the backup databases (this is desirable for query-intensive applications such as telephone directory assistance).
- Triple contingency—a special instance of the database replication feature whereby a single primary system is protected by two identical backup systems. This feature allows your applications to resume, with full RDF protection, within minutes after the loss of your primary system, provided the two backup systems are not too far behind.
- Loopback configuration—where the primary and backup systems are the same system. This has no value from a disaster protection standpoint, but can be useful for testing purposes. Data from a set of volumes can be replicated to a different set of volumes on the same node.
- RDF does not require an identical one-to-one volume relationship between volumes on the primary system and those on the backup system. Backup volume names do not have to match primary volume names. The subsystem can direct audit records from more than one audited volume on the primary system to a single volume on the backup system, provided that no more than one partition of a file exists on any backup volume. (For information on partitioned files, see the *Guardian User's Guide*.)
- Application independence
 RDF is application independent. It can protect through replication any audited NonStop SQL tables and indexes as well as any audited Enscribe key-sequenced, relative, or entry-sequenced files, including partitions, alternate key files, and Queue files. Unstructured Enscribe files, however, are not supported.

Figure 1-2 RDF Topologies



- Supports master and auxiliary audit trail protection; RDF can protect all tables and files that are being audited by TMF, whether they are associated with the Master Audit Trail (MAT) or an auxiliary audit trail.
- Subvolume and file replication In addition to volume replication, the RDF/IMP and IMPX products support replication of selected subvolumes and files.

- Economical processing

RDF conserves resources at both sites. The extractor typically uses 1% of the resources used by the application on the primary and 4% of the Expand resources. On the backup system the cost of an updater process replicating an update operation is typically 15-25% of the original cost to do the operation on the primary system.

On the primary system RDF uses just one process (the extractor) per audit trail to read and transmit audit records to the backup system. The extractor process automatically filters out any audit records not relevant to the backup database.

On the backup system RDF stores and applies all audit records without using any primary system resources.

RDF helps balance the load between the primary and backup systems. For example, to reduce the application load on the primary system, you can perform database queries on the backup system; RDF does not, however, guarantee database consistency while changes are being processed for a transaction.

- Access to Consistent Backup Databases

There are two ways to quiesce the backup database in a logically consistent state with regard to transaction boundaries: stop TMF on the primary system or use the `TIMESTAMP` parameter in a `STOP UPDATE` command (referred to as a stop-update-to-time operation). The latter allows you to do so without stopping TMF, your applications, or the RDF extractor.

- Zero Lost Transactions (ZLT)

ZLT is a functional capability that uses mirrored disks to guarantee that no committed transactions on the primary system will be lost in the event of an RDF takeover by the backup system.

User Interfaces

To use RDF, you run two online utilities: `RDFCOM` and `RDFSCAN`. Both are interactive command interpreters through which you begin a session and enter requests to the subsystem.

RDFCOM for Subsystem Management and Operations

To manage, operate, and control RDF, use the `RDFCOM` utility. You can issue commands to:

- Configure RDF
- Control RDF operation
- Obtain status information about RDF regarding database activity on the primary system and processing on the backup system

Tasks and examples using `RDFCOM` commands appear throughout the manual. Reference information for all commands appears in [Chapter 8 \(page 187\)](#).

Scanning the EMS Event Log

RDF writes messages to the EMS event log when any of these events occurs:

- RDF is initialized
- RDF is started or stopped
- Updating is started or stopped
- RDF issues an informational, warning, or error message (including RTD warning messages)
- An RDF process takeover occurs
- Control switches from the primary to the backup database
- A NonStop SQL/MP DDL operation using the `WITH SHARED ACCESS` option is detected
- An exception record is written

You can peruse messages in the EMS log on your terminal screen by using Viewpoint or whatever other tool you normally use for monitoring \$0. When you do that, you are dealing with the entire EMS log (not just RDF messages).

To isolate RDF messages from the rest of the EMS log, you can use the supplied EMS filter RDFFLTO with an EMS printing distributor to produce an intermediate entry-sequenced file that you then can scan using the RDFSCAN utility.

Using RDFSCAN commands, you can specify:

- A starting point for scanning the intermediate RDF message file
- How many records to scan
- Text to search for in the file

Tasks and examples for using RDFSCAN commands appear throughout the manual. Reference information for all commands appears in [Chapter 9 \(page 261\)](#).

RDF Tasks

To maintain a duplicate of the primary database on the backup system, RDF performs four fundamental tasks:

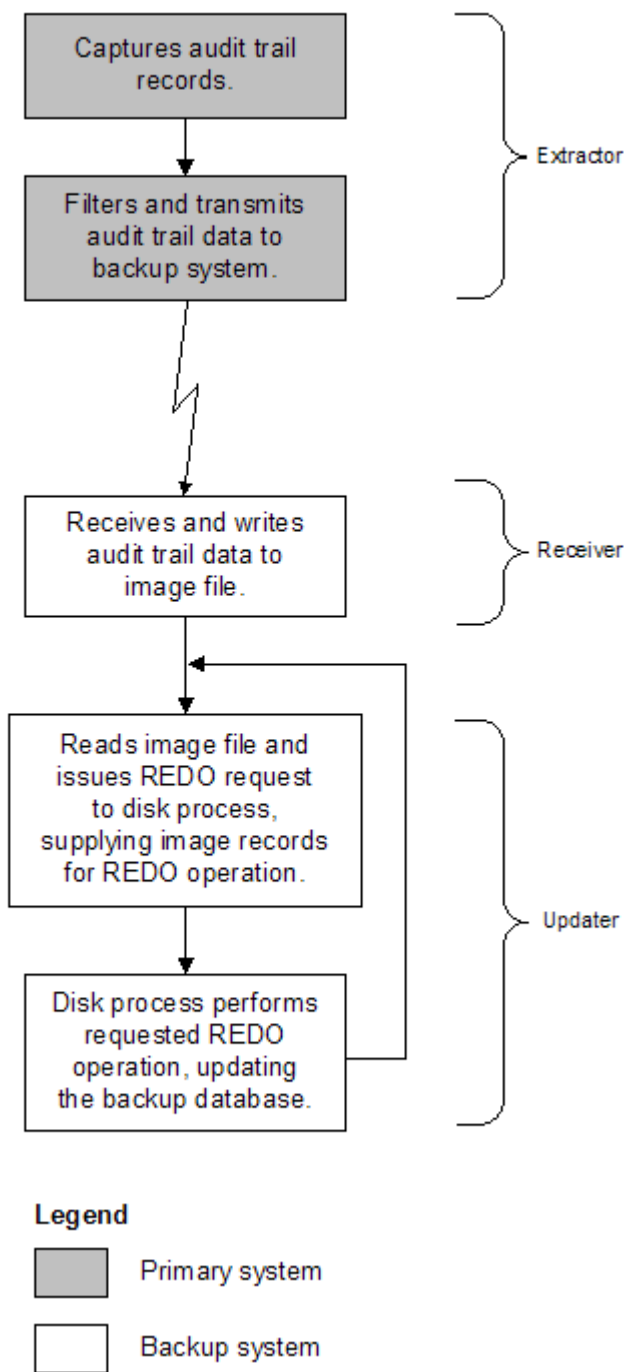
- On the primary system, the extractor process captures audit records from the TMF MAT and, optionally, from auxiliary audit trails.
- On the primary system, the extractor process filters out audit records that are not relevant to the backup database (audit records for volumes or files not protected by RDF) and then transmits the relevant audit records to the backup system. These audit records have additional information added to them by the extractor and the transformed audit records are then called **image records**.
- On the backup system, the receiver process accepts the buffer of image records sent by the extractor, sorts each record to the correct **image trail** buffer, and eventually writes the collection of image trail buffers to the actual **image trail** on disk.
- On the backup system, each updater process reads the image records it is responsible for out of its image trail and sends the audit portion directly to disk process that manages the volume where that updater's database files reside. During normal RDF operations, the disk process applies the audit to the affected database file or table with the logical REDO operation. During the special RDF Takeover or stop-update-to-time operations, the disk process can also perform logical UNDO operations for those audit records that need to be backed out of the backup database.



NOTE: Throughout this manual, the terms **image records** and **audit records** are used interchangeably on the backup system. An *image record* is just the original *audit record* with some additional RDF specific information added to it. When an updater prepares an image record to send to the disk process, it strips out that added RDF information and sends the original audit record.

Figure 1-3 illustrates these tasks as they are performed during normal processing when RDF updating is enabled. The sequence of events differs when updating is disabled, as explained in “RDF Operations”.

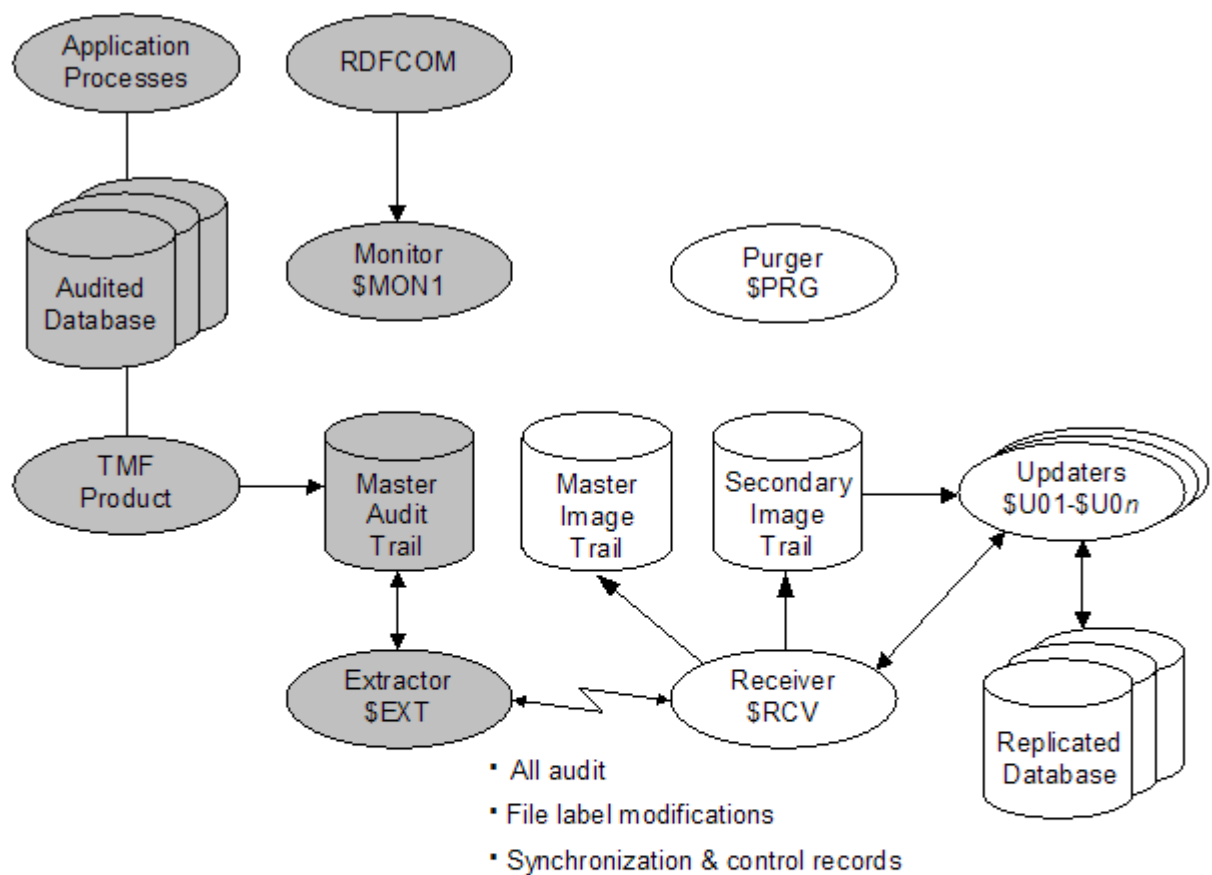
Figure 1-3 RDF Tasks to Maintain a Copy of a Database



RDF Processes

To accomplish its four major tasks, RDF runs different processes on the primary system and the backup system. These processes (the monitor and extractor on the primary system and the receiver, updaters, and purger on the backup system) divide these tasks as summarized in the following pages. The relationship of these processes to one another is illustrated in [Figure 1-4](#). More details about their operation appear in “[RDF Operations](#)” (page 42) .

Figure 1-4 RDF Subsystem Processes



Legend



Names shown for Monitor, Extractor, Purger, Receiver, and Updater processes were specified by the user during configuration.

Primary System Processes

On the primary system:

- The monitor process coordinates most RDFCOM commands involving the main RDF processes (for example, start and stop).
- Each extractor process reads an audit trail (the MAT or a particular auxiliary audit trail), filters out audit records not relevant to the backup database, transforms the **audit record** into an **image record**, and then transmits the image records to an associated receiver process on the backup system. Some control information for synchronizing the extractor and receiver process pair is included each time the extractor process transmits the audit records.

Backup System Processes

On the backup system:

- There is one receiver process for each configured extractor process. A receiver accepts the image records from its extractor, sorts them, and then writes them to the appropriate RDF image trail.
- There is one updater process for each primary system volume being protected by RDF. Updater processes read image records from their RDF image trails and pass them to the disk process so that the disk process can perform the logical REDO operations. The backup database is updated in cache each time the disk process performs a logical REDO operation requested by an updater process.
- The purger process interacts with the updaters to determine when image files can be purged, and also determines which transactions updaters must undo for takeover and stop-update-to-time operations.

RDF Operations

RDF can be run with updating of the backup database either enabled or disabled.

When updating is enabled, the RDF processes maintain a current, online copy of the primary database on the backup system. By default, the subsystem starts with updating enabled, and the RDF processes continue their updating activities until updating is explicitly disabled or the subsystem is shut down.

When updating is disabled, the extractor process still transmits the TMF audit records from the audit trails to the backup system, but no changes are applied to the backup database. The receiver continues to collect audit records from the extractor and writes these records to the image trails. However, the updater processes do not run while updating is disabled.

Updating can be explicitly enabled or disabled through RDFCOM commands, as described later in this manual. If takeover performance is critical, you should run RDF with updating enabled. If updating is disabled, it is possible for the image trails to fill up; also, it may take significant time for the updaters to apply all audit records when a takeover operation is started.

The monitor, extractor, receiver, RDFNET, updater, and purger processes run as process pairs.

Monitor Process

The monitor process is a process pair that normally runs on the primary system. This process is responsible for starting, stopping, and monitoring all other RDF processes on the primary and backup systems.

Extractor Process

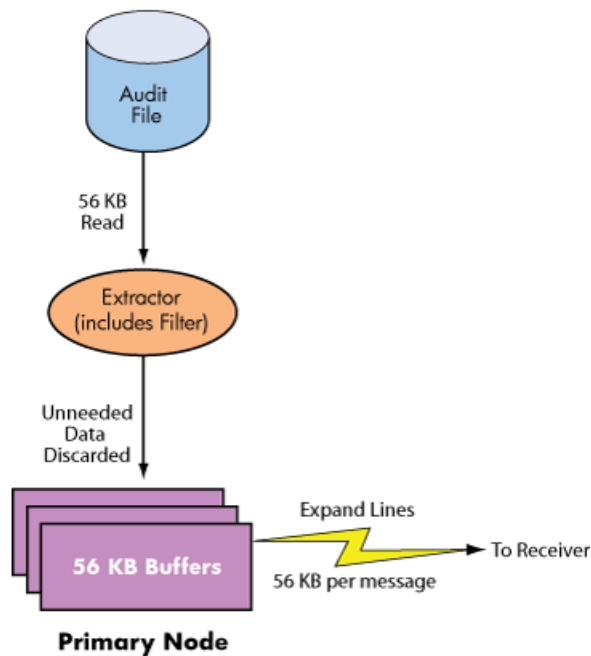
An extractor process is a process pair that runs on the primary system. Each extractor process reads an audit trail (the MAT or a particular auxiliary audit trail), filters out audit records not relevant to the backup database, and then transmits the relevant audit records over the Expand network to an associated receiver process on the backup system, as shown in [Figure 1-5](#).



NOTE: The discussion and figure that follow are both oriented to the extractor associated with the MAT. For information about protecting auxiliary audit trails, see [Chapter 13 \(page 291\)](#).

Figure 1-5 Extractor Process Operation

Master Audit Trail (MAT)



Reading large amounts of data from the MAT, the extractor process stores the following records for subsequent transmission to the backup system:

- TMF control records
 - All transaction state records
 - TMP control point records
 - TMF shutdown records
 - File-incomplete records
 - File-complete records
 - Stop-RDF-Updater records
- Redo audit records for RDF protected files (generated by applications)
- Undo audit records for RDF-protected files (generated by TMF undo processing)
- Filelabel modifications for the following Enscribe DDL operations
 - CREATE
 - PURGEDATA
 - ALTER MAXEXTENTS
 - PURGE (if REPLICATEPURGE is enabled)
- Filelabel modifications for the following NonStop SQL operation
 - PURGEDATA



NOTE: Except for PURGEDATA, RDF does not replicate NonStop SQL DDL operations on any SQL objects. For more information about NonStop SQL DDL operations and databases on a system protected by the RDF product, see [Chapter 6 \(page 157\)](#) and [Chapter 16 \(page 323\)](#).

The extractor filters out all other records and does not send them to the receiver. Among those filtered out are audit records for volumes and files not protected by RDF (and files implicitly or

explicitly excluded by INCLUDE/EXCLUDE lists), most of the physical audit records generated either for block splits or during FUP RELOAD operations, and all audits generated by the RDF updaters.

The extractor always tries to fill the buffer to be sent to the receiver. The buffer never contains partial records; if the buffer is nearly full and the next record to be transmitted does not fit in its entirety, the extractor transmits the current buffer and puts that next record at the beginning of the next buffer. The extractor never waits for more than one second to send data to the receiver. If its current buffer is not filled within a second, the extractor transmits the buffer (even though it is not filled).

Although the extractor runs as a process pair, the primary process does not maintain restart information nor checkpoint this information to its backup. Instead, the receiver maintains all restart information for the extractor, ensuring that the extractor can be restarted without any loss of data. The restart point is based on the MAT position of the last record safely stored in the image trail on the backup system.

Whenever you start RDF, the extractor requests its starting position in the audit trail from the receiver. Because this position is based on the audit trail position of the last image record safely stored in the image trail by the receiver, this method guarantees that no audit is mistakenly omitted. If the primary extractor process fails, the backup process requests from the receiver a new starting position in the audit trail, ensuring a correct restart position. This extractor-receiver protocol also provides protection against messages from the extractor erroneously arriving out-of-order: if a message arrives out-of-order, the receiver directs the extractor to restart.

When the extractor reads from an audit trail file, it pins the file by sending a message to TMF. Once pinned, an audit trail file remains pinned until the extractor unpins it or if you issue the RDFCOM UNPINAUDIT command at the primary system.



CAUTION: Before deleting an RDF configuration, always issue an UNPINAUDIT command to unpin any audit trail files that might be pinned by the configuration. If you delete the configuration without first doing so, then you will be unable to unpin the files afterward.

If you unpin files, RDF cannot be restarted if the files required by the extractor cannot be made available. When you unpin audit trail files, be sure that these files are dumped to disk or tape. If they are not dumped, and the TMP renames the file or files required by the extractor, you will have to reinitialize RDF and resynchronize the primary and backup databases.

In response to the UNPINAUDIT command, RDFCOM issues a prompt asking you to confirm your request.

If the files are unpinned successfully, RDFCOM issues an informational message to that effect.

If an error occurs while attempting to unpin the audit trail files, the command is ignored, and RDFCOM issues a message indicating the error.

Receiver Process

A receiver process is a process pair that runs on the backup system. There is one receiver for each configured extractor. A receiver process accepts audit records from its extractor, sorts them, and then writes them to the appropriate RDF image trail, as shown in [Figure 1-6](#). (The restartability of a receiver ensures the receiver's correctness at process takeover or under any conditions requiring resynchronization with its extractor.)

A receiver determines which updater will apply a given image record, and it sorts that record into the image trail used by that updater. The records in the image trails are subsequently used by updater processes to update the backup database.

Each receiver creates its own image trail files, preallocates extents, initiates rollovers, and manages them, except for purging, a task performed by the purger process .

Sorted Image Trails

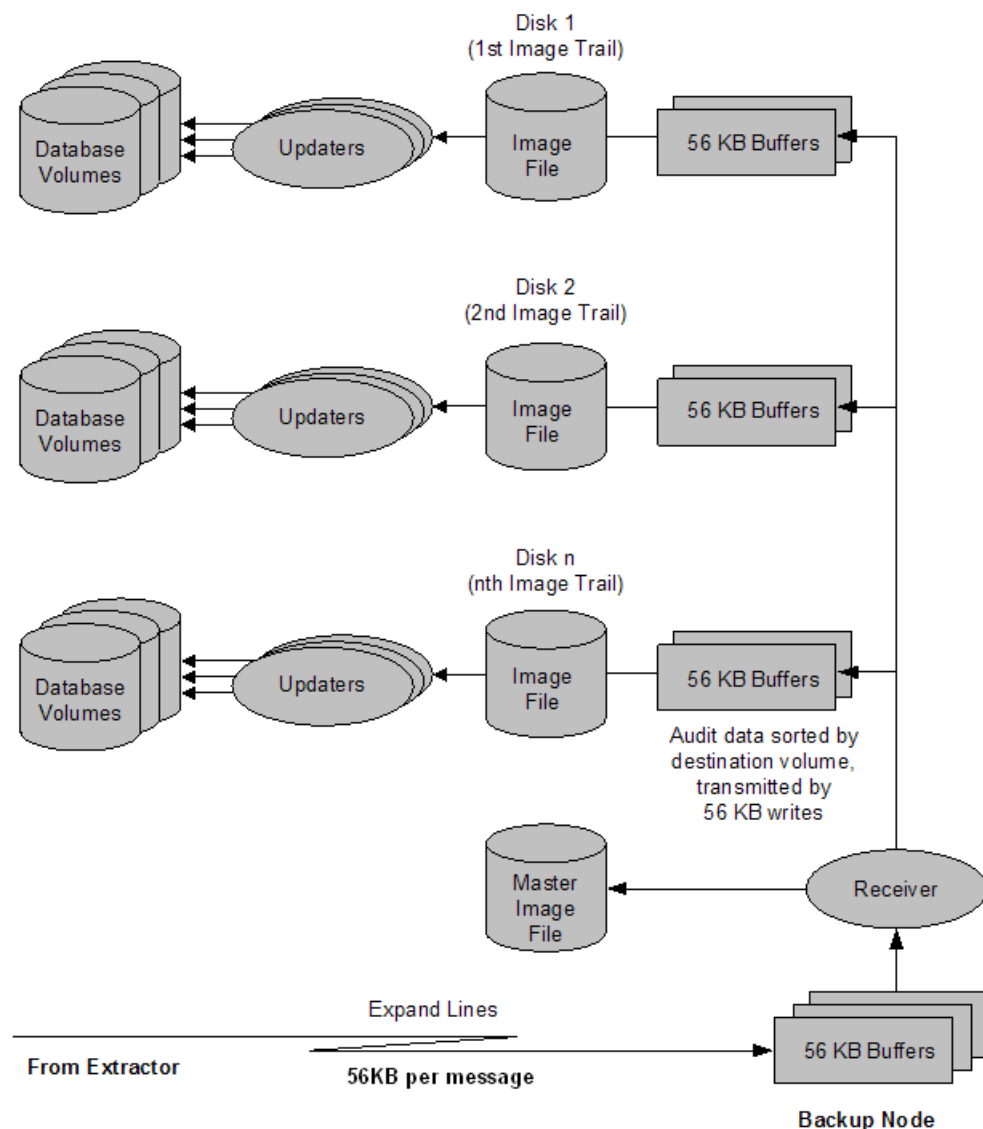
RDF maintains its image data on disk volumes specified during RDF configuration. On each of these volumes, the collection of files that contains image data is known as an **image trail**; that is, there is one image trail per individual image trail volume.

The standard image trail used by RDF, called the **master image trail**, contains the transaction status records that hold key information about whether a transaction has committed or aborted. The **master** image trail is stored on the disk volume specified by the master receiver's RDFVOLUME configuration option. You cannot configure any updaters to the master image trail.

Secondary image trails primarily contain the audit records that log changes made to the user's database on the primary system. Updaters read secondary image trails and apply the changes recorded in the records to the database on the backup system. All updaters must be configured to secondary image trails. You can configure up to 255 secondary image trails. Each secondary image trail is stored on a separate volume, specified by the IMAGETRAIL configuration option.

RDF uses multiple sorted image trails. With this feature, the receiver detects which updaters are associated with which image trails. When it receives a record, the receiver identifies the updater that will apply the record to the backup database. The receiver then sorts the record into the image trail used by the updater responsible for applying the record.

Figure 1-6 Receiver Process Operation



With sorted image trails, the activity of any one image file typically remains so low that it can be stored on the same disk volumes as the main database with no significant I/O impact. This approach is not recommended, however, if you require very high RDF performance or if RDF is running with the UPDATE option turned off; in this case, the image trails could eventually fill the volume; in such cases, it is best to have volumes exclusively dedicated to the image trails.



NOTE: You should keep all image trail files off of the \$SYSTEM volume and its controller. Otherwise, if there is a lot of audit data to send from the primary system to the backup system, it could take a while for the updaters to start.

Image trails can be added only after RDF has been initialized but before it has been started.

RDF Control Points

When the extractor has no information to send from the audit trail, it transmits a buffer containing no audit images (an empty buffer) to the receiver. When the receiver process receives an empty buffer, it generates an RDF control-point record in each image trail. Therefore, even when no TMF transactions are generated on the primary system, RDF adds internal control points to the image trail on the backup system. The file-filling rate for RDF control point records is very slow.

A receiver determines which updater will apply each audit record, and sorts the data into the image trail used by that updater. The records in the image trails are subsequently used by updater processes to update the backup database. Each receiver creates its own image trail files, preallocates extents, initiates rollovers, and manages them, except for purging, a task performed by the purger process.

The receiver also adds RDF control points to individual image trails if they have not received new audit while other trails have. Thus, the image trails can appear to be growing in size even though no transaction activity is taking place on the primary system. The primary importance of RDF Control Points is that they are used to reflect accurate RTD times for the updaters when new audit has not been added to their image trails for any period of time. They are also useful for the coordination of other special operations.

RDFNET Process

The RDFNET process is a process pair that runs only on the primary node of the network master in an RDF network. The RDFNET process creates synchronization information used only during RDF takeover.

Updater Processes

An updater process is a process pair that runs on the backup system when updating is enabled or during takeover processing. Every volume on the primary system that is protected by RDF has its own updater process on the backup system.

Each updater reads the image trail to which it has been configured, looking for audit records (image records) associated with the data volume it protects (it ignores audit records associated with volumes protected by other updaters). When it finds applicable audit records, the updater sends the audit records to the disk process to be applied to the backup database.

Each updater performs the following functions:

- Reads large blocks of data from the RDF image file and searches for image records associated with the updater's volume on the primary system.
- Opens and closes database files on the backup system for updating and maintaining the backup database.
- Defines restart points and updates restart information in the **context file** (named CONTEXT). For an explanation of restart points, see "Restart Information".
- Sends information to RDFCOM for use in the STATUS RDF command display.

- Issues a logical REDO request to the disk process (during the normal forward pass over the image trail) for each update associated with its volume.
- Issues logical UNDO requests to the disk process when backing out changes associated with transactions that need to be undone during RDF takeover or stop-update-to-timestamp operations.
- Bundles the REDO and UNDO requests into batch TMF transactions, the duration of which is specified by the UPDATERTXTIME configuration parameter.
- For Enscribe files only, performs the following DDL operations:
CREATE, PURGE (if REPLICATEPURGE is enabled), PURGEDATA, ALTER MAXEXTENTS (used only for increasing MAXEXTENTS).
- For NonStop SQL files only, performs the following DDL operation: PURGEDATA

An updater cannot always respond immediately to the STOP UPDATE and STOP RDF commands. If an updater has audit records queued for the disk process, the updater must wait until all of that information is processed before it can shut down.

You specify the primary and backup CPUs for each updater. If the original backup process has to take over because the primary CPU failed, this backup process runs by itself. When it determines that the primary CPU has come back up, it creates a new backup process in that CPU. When it has to take over, the original backup process becomes the primary process, and remains so even after it creates a new backup process; that is, the updater does not switch back to the original CPU configuration after the new backup process is created. If you stop the updaters by way of a STOP RDF or STOP UPDATE command, however, when you restart the updaters, your original configuration is once again used.

The updaters will shut down if any of the following occurs:

- You issue a STOP RDF or STOP UPDATE command on the primary system.
 - You issue a STOP RDF command on the backup system when the communications lines between the two systems are down.
 - You issue a STOP TMF command on the primary system.
 - The monitor detects the unexpected termination of any RDF process and sends out abort RDF messages.
 - You perform a NonStop SQL DDL operation on the primary system that includes the WITH SHARED ACCESS option for an RDF-protected file. For more information, see [“Performing Shared Access DDL Operations”](#) (page 152).
- If you perform a NonStop DDL operation WITH SHARED ACCESS on a table or index that is not configured for RDF protection by your current RDF subsystem, then this current RDF subsystem does not shut down.
- A takeover operation completes on the RDF backup system.

Audited Database Files

All database files on the backup system are audited files.

Each updater maintains a file status table to keep track of the files it has open. An updater closes any database file that has not been updated recently. Updaters also close database files when a STOP RDF or STOP UPDATE command is issued, or when the updater restarts because of error conditions. Additionally, if you alter the updater's OPENMODE while UPDATE is ON, then the updater closes all its file and then reopens them with the new OPENMODE.

An updater process can have up to 3000 files open simultaneously. When it has the maximum number of files open and needs to open another file, it first determines if there are any files that have not been accessed recently and closes just them; if all of the open files have been accessed recently, then the updater closes all of them before it continues processing. For the SMF ramifications of this file limit, see the note in [“Using SMF With RDF”](#) (page 65).

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REDO Pass

Updaters perform REDO operations during all normal processing. The updater applies each audit record as a redo operation, regardless of whether the transaction associated with that audit record committed, aborted, or is still in progress on the primary system.

The updaters apply all audit records to their data volumes regardless of whether the associated transaction has committed, has aborted, or is still in progress. If a transaction commits, each updater involved in the transaction applies all audit associated with that transaction and associated with its protected volume to its corresponding UpdateVolume on the backup system. If a transaction aborts, the updater applies all application-generated audit followed by all TMF Backout-generated audit - all with REDO operations. For those who are familiar with audit record formats, updaters always apply the after-images when performing Redo operations.

UNDO Pass

Updaters perform an UNDO pass over the image trail during final processing of RDF takeover and stop-update-to-time operations. This is because data already applied to the backup database must be undone if the associated transaction(s) did not commit prior to the start of the takeover operation or prior to the specified timestamp.

For takeover operations there are three phases of undo: local undo, file undo (if file-incompletes from the primary system are still unresolved), and network undo (if you are operating in an RDF network). For stop-update-to-time operations there is only local undo (file-incompletes causeabend, and network undo is not supported).

If an updater encounters a multi-block operation on the primary system that aborted, then the updater also enters a special UNDO pass while it searches for the start of the aborted multi-block operation, and it undoes any audit associated with the aborted transaction in order to guarantee all aspects of the aborted transaction are undone from the backup database.

For those familiar with audit record formats, the updater applies before-images when it performs UNDO operations.

Restart Information

RDF has a CONTEXT file in which each updater process maintains a context record. A context record specifies the position (referred to as the restart position) in the image trail where the updater was at the last context save point. All data for the associated data volume in the backup database prior to the specified restart position is safe on disk (has been applied to the backup database).

If an updater detects a restartable error, it restarts. Upon being restarted, an updater reads its context record and restarts processing in the image trail at the specified restart position.

Partitioned Files, Alternate Key Files, and Indexes

Each updater is responsible for applying audit data to partitions corresponding to the volume on the primary system that updater is protecting. Updates are applied directly to the specific

partition, regardless of whether it is a primary or secondary partition. RDF does not use the file system for partition mapping.

Furthermore, because updates to the backup database are applied by logical REDO/UNDO operations, alternate key files and NonStop SQL indexes are not affected by an update to a file or table. Alternate key files or NonStop SQL indexes are updated independently as a consequence of the individual audit records generated on the primary system by TMF software.



NOTE: You must be sure that volumes on the primary system containing alternate key files and indexes are protected by RDF. It is not sufficient to protect just the associated data file or table (particularly in the case of alternate keys). Likewise, if primary partitions reside on volumes protected by RDF, you must ensure that the secondary partitions are also configured for protection.

File System Errors Involving Data Files

File system errors can occur when:

- A file is created.
- A file is opened.
- A modify operation is performed on the file. Modify operations are those that the updater might perform on an open file, such as updating the file (logical REDO/UNDO) or altering the owner or security after the replication of a file creation.

Errors encountered are reported in the EMS event log.

If an updater process encounters a file-system error, it responds in either of the following ways (depending upon the type of error that occurred):

- Restarts and retries the operation again by reprocessing all database updates since the last restart point. If the updater takes this course of action, it continues to do so until the underlying problem goes away. This would be the action, for example, if an updater process cannot create a data file on a backup volume because that volume is protected by the Safeguard security management subsystem; in this case, the updater logs error message 739, with an error 48, and restarts.
- Skips the operation. This would be the action, for example, in response to an error 10 (“record already exists”).

RTD Times

Write operations to the various sorted image trails occur asynchronously to one another. To ensure correct operation, the updaters cannot read to the end-of-file. Instead, they can only read as far as the receiver allows (determined by receiver “save” points in the image trail). Thus, on a finely tuned RDF backup node, the RTD time (relative time delay) for an updater can typically indicate that the updater is 1 to 15 seconds behind TMF processing on the primary system. This 15-second delay does not mean that 15 seconds are needed for the updater to catch up; catching up typically requires less than a second. See the discussion on RTD Times in “RDF States” (page 113)

Purger Process

The purger process is responsible for purging image trail files when they are no longer needed.

The purging of redundant image trail files is based on transaction information. Specifically, the receiver process maintains general information on what transactions might be in each image file. This information is system-wide, not specific to any particular image trail. The reasons for this pertain to performance.

First, if the receiver had to maintain specific information about what transactions were actually represented in each image file on each image trail, the extractor-receiver performance rate would be seriously degraded. Therefore, the receiver keeps general information about all transactions it has seen across all trails.

Second, because considerable checking must be done across all trails to determine what files can be purged based on what transactions might be represented in the various files on the various image trails, the purger process performs this task.

The purger process is a restartable process pair that runs on the backup system (it is started during START RDF and runs even when the updaters are stopped; image files are purged, however, only when updating is enabled).

No image file in a given image trail can be purged until it is absolutely certain that all updaters configured to the trail will no longer require that file for an UNDO pass during a takeover or stop-update-to-time operation. RDF automatically keeps track of which range of transactions is represented in each image trail file. The purger process can therefore always determine with confidence when a particular image trail file can be purged.

For example, assume the following:

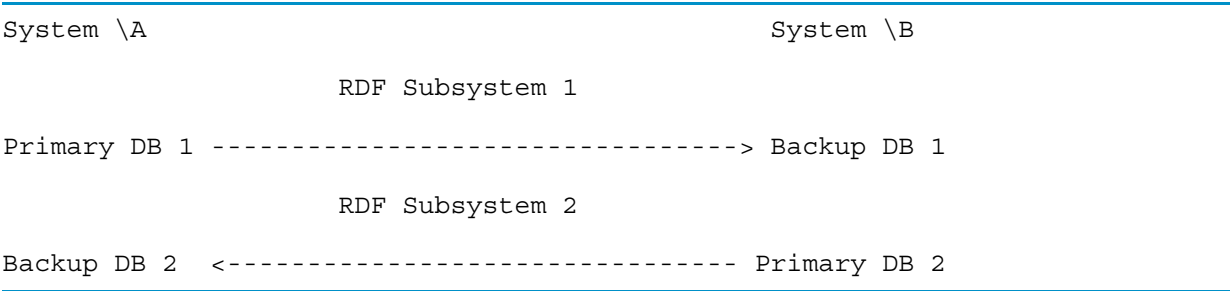
- There are two image trails.
- Five updaters are assigned to each trail.
- A long-running transaction (T1000) involves all five updaters on one trail, but none on the other.
- T1000 became active when the current image file in each trail was AA000002, and is still active.
- The receiver is currently writing to image file AA000015 in both trails.
- All updaters are currently reading audit records from AA000015.

Although all the updater restart locations are in AA000015, none of the image files from AA000002 through AA000014 can be purged while T1000 is active or aborting because they will be required if T1000 needs to be backed out during an RDF takeover or stop-update-to-timestamp operation. This is true for both trails, even though none of the updaters on one trail have ever been involved with T1000. If an UNDO pass becomes necessary, all updaters must perform that pass in search of any audit records associated with T1000 (they must go back in each image trail to the point where T1000 began: AA000002 in this example).

The purger process exists to avoid having the receiver keep track of all this information, which could impact extractor-receiver throughput significantly. The purger process interacts with the updaters to determine when image files can be purged.

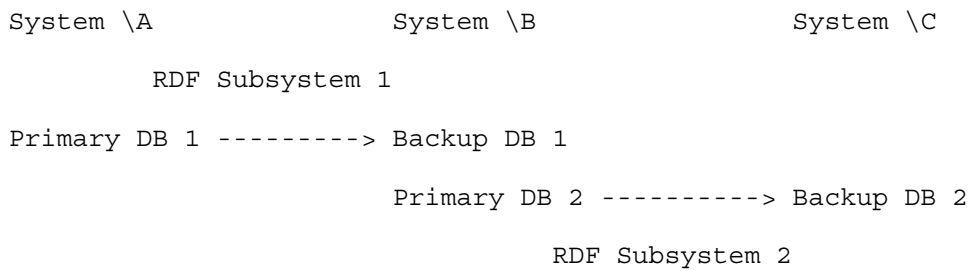
Reciprocal and Chain Replication Require Mutually Exclusive Datavols

Example 1-1 Reciprocal Replication



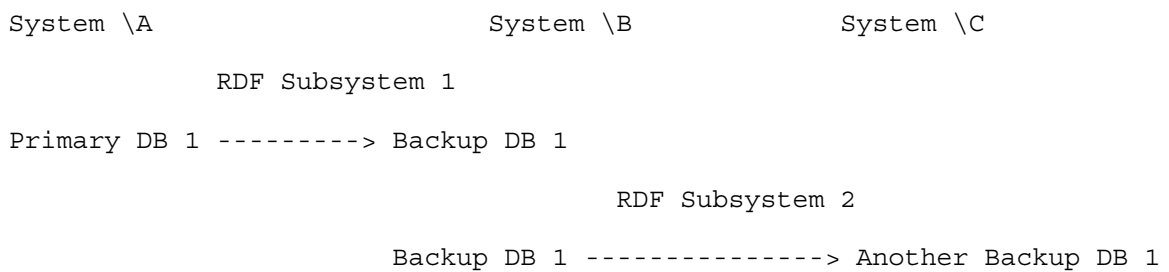
Thus, you have a primary database for RDF subsystem 1 on system \A (primary DB 1) and a primary database for RDF subsystem 2 on system \B (primary DB 2).

Example 1-2 Chain Replication



Thus, system \B is both the backup system in RDF subsystem 1 and the primary system in RDF subsystem 2.

Example 1-3 Invalid Chain Replication



In [Example 1-3](#), RDF should not be configured to replicate RDF updater changes to another backup system. You would not get an error in configuring this environment, but replication to the database on \C would only consist of TMF Backout-generated audit on \B due to updater transactions that aborted because RDF extractors filter out all updater-generated audit.

The updaters generate audit records as they replicate data to the target files and target tables, and these audit records are internally marked as updater-generated audit records. The extractors filter out all updater-generated audit. Thus, under normal circumstances, the extractors do not send updater-generated audit to their backup systems for replication.

Consider the following example. Assume that Primary DB 1 and Backup DB 2 are both located on \$DATA on \A, and assume that Primary DB 2 and Backup DB 1 are also located on \$DATA on \B. Using the reciprocal example, suppose your application does an update on \A to Primary DB 1 as in [Example 1-1 “Reciprocal Replication”](#). The extractor of RDF Subsystem 1 sees that the update was for \$DATA and sends that update to \B where the updater applies that update to Backup DB 1. This update generates an audit record that goes into the audit trail on \B and is marked as updater-generated. The extractor for RDF Subsystem 2 reads the audit trail looking for audit associated with \$DATA. When it reads the record generated by the updater, it sees the update was associated with \$DATA, but it also sees that the record was updater-generated, which causes the extractor to filter that record out and not send it to \A. This is correct and desired behavior.

If an updater transaction aborts, the TMF Backout process executes undo for the aborted transaction, and Backout has no information about what process generated the original audit for the transaction before it aborted. This can corrupt your primary and backup databases unless you take appropriate steps (see further below).

Consider the following extension to the example above. After the updater on \B has replicated the application's update from \A and before the update can commit its transaction on \B, a CPU failure causes TMF to abort the transaction. Backout undoes the updater's update. The resulting audit record is associated with \$DATA, but Backout does not know which process generated the original update, and the resulting record is not marked as updater-generated. When the extractor for RDF Subsystem 2 reads this record generated by Backout, it sees it was for \$DATA and it sees that the record was not updater generated. It therefore sends this record to \A. Now,

when the updater for RDF Subsystem 2 on \A applies this record to Primary DB 1, it thereby backs out the committed update of your application. Additionally, Primary DB 1 and Backup DB 1 are no longer in synch. Even though the updater on \B had its transaction aborted, that updater will re-apply the application update to Backup DB 1. When done, Primary DB no longer has the update, but Backup DB 2 does.

Although this example describes a reciprocal configuration, the same basic problem can happen with chain replication. In the chain case, the extractor for RDF Subsystem 2 would be sending a Backout generated update to \C where the file or table involved in the update does not even exist. This will cause the updater responsible for \$DATA on \C to stall, waiting for you to create the file or table on \C.

The same effect occurs when you set up reciprocal environments or chain environments, where you also have the REPLICATEPURGE attribute set. In this case, the updater purges the file through the file system, and the resulting audit record does not indicate that it was generated by an updater. If the extractor sends the audit record for the purge to its backup system, the updater might purge a file you do not want purged, or it might encounter an error 11.

To prevent these problems in a reciprocal configuration or chain configuration, you must ensure that Backup DB 1 and Primary DB 2 are on mutually exclusive volumes. For example, put Primary DB 1 and Backup DB 1 is on \$DATA1 and put Primary DB 2 and Backup DB 2 on \$DATA2. Thus the extractor can filter out the audit by volume name and not depend on records being marked as updater generated.

Alternatively, if your two databases must share the same disks, then you must explicitly specify which files and tables you want replicated by each RDF subsystem. For example, RDF Subsystem 1 would INCLUDE only Primary DB 1, and RDF Subsystem 2 would INCLUDE only Primary DB 2.

Available Types of Replication to Multiple Backup Systems

RDF allows you to replicate database changes from a single primary system to multiple backup systems. This makes possible simultaneous read-only access to all of the backup systems, a capability particularly desirable for query-intensive applications where a central database can be distributed to several remote systems for local query processing.

Replication to multiple backup systems is achieved by establishing multiple RDF configurations, each protecting the same database on the primary system. As an example, you might want to replicate the same data to different backup systems:

RDF Configuration #1

\A -----> \B

RDF Configuration #2

\A -----> \C

RDF Configuration #3

\A -----> \D

You can also have two RDF configurations replicating two separate databases (DB1 and DB2) from the same primary system to two different backup systems:

RDF Configuration #1, protecting database DB1

\A -----> \B

RDF Configuration #2, protecting database DB2

\A -----> \C

As a third possibility, you can also have two RDF configurations replicating two separate databases (DB1 and DB2) from the same primary system to the same backup system:

RDF Configuration #1, protecting database DB1

\A -----> \B

RDF Configuration #2, protecting database DB2

\A -----> \B

In the preceding examples, each RDF configuration operates entirely independently of the other RDF configuration primaried on the same node; that is, each RDF system has its own extractor and monitor process. In this way, Expand problems affecting one configuration might not necessarily affect the others (depending on the configuration).

RDF Control Subvolume

The INITIALIZE RDF command includes a control subvolume suffix parameter (SUFFIX *char*), where *char* is an alphanumeric character. If you include this parameter, the RDF control subvolume on \$SYSTEM will be the local (primary) system name without the backslash and with the specified character appended to it. If you omit this parameter, the RDF control subvolume on \$SYSTEM will merely be the local system name without the backslash.

If you want to have several RDF subsystems configured on the same primary node, the RDF configuration for each RDF subsystem must have its own control subvolume and you must specify the SUFFIX parameter when you initialize each subsystem. For example, if the name of your primary node is \BOSTON, you could specify "1" as the SUFFIX when you configure the first RDF subsystem, and its control subvolume will be BOSTON1. If you specify "2" as the SUFFIX for your second RDF subsystem, then its control subvolume is BOSTON2. Both are located on \$SYSTEM, but each RDF subsystem has its own control subvolume.

For a description of the files in the control subvolumes on the primary backup systems, see "RDF System Files" (page 362) .

Other RDF Features

Triple Contingency

If you are replicating your database to two backup systems and then lose your primary system, you can perform an RDF takeover on both the backup systems upon loss of the primary system and continue application processing on the new system within minutes. To proceed with full RDF protection, however, you must:

1. Initiate a takeover on two of the backup systems.
2. Synchronize the two databases.
3. Configure the two systems as a primary-backup pair.
4. Initialize and start RDF on the system that you want to be the new primary system.

Depending upon the size of your database, the second step listed, database synchronization, could take days to accomplish without the RDF triple contingency feature. Triple contingency, however, streamlines this step, enabling you to achieve rapid database synchronization after a takeover operation. Triple contingency allows your applications to resume, with full RDF protection, within minutes after the loss of your primary system, provided that the two systems are not too far behind.

The triple contingency feature builds upon the ability to replicate to multiple backup systems. To use this feature, you establish two essentially identical RDF configurations:

```
RDF Configuration #1
  \A -----> \B
RDF Configuration #2
  \A -----> \C
```

To achieve Triple Contingency protection, see the various requirements that are outlined in detail in Chapter 10 (page 271).

Loopback Configuration (Single System)

A loopback configuration is one where the primary and backup systems are the same system. This configuration is of no use in a disaster protection plan, but can be useful for testing purposes.

One set of disks can be replicated to another set of target disks to provide a copy of the live database. There are two operational considerations unique to this environment:

- The updaters operate in transaction mode, which means you should not stop TMF before stopping RDF.
- The RDF takeover operation cannot be performed unless you manually stop the monitor and extractor processes before issuing the TAKEOVER command or include the ! option in the TAKEOVER command.

Online Product Initialization

You can initialize RDF/IMP, IMPX, or ZLT while your applications continue to run. This is particularly useful for installing new versions of RDF into existing production environments where you cannot afford to stop your applications even briefly to generate a TMF shutdown timestamp. It is also useful if you encounter a problem for which you would like to reinitialize RDF without stopping your applications.

For information about this capability, see:

- “Initializing RDF Without Stopping TMF (Using INITTIME Option)” (page 80)
- “Online Installation and Initialization Without Stopping RDF” (page 82)
- “INITIALIZE RDF” (page 212)

Online Database Synchronization

With RDF/IMP, IMPX, or ZLT you can synchronize entire databases or selected volumes, files, tables or even partitions while your applications continue to run. For information about this capability, see Chapter 7 (page 167).

Online Dumps of the Backup Database

With RDF/IMPX or ZLT, all backup databases are audited by TMF. You can take online dumps of a backup database at any time, thereby minimizing the amount of time necessary to perform any subsequent takeover operation. For information about taking dumps while the updaters are running, see Chapter 5 (page 121).

Subvolume-Level and File-Level Replication

By default, RDF provides volume-level protection, wherein changes to all audited files and tables on each protected primary-system data volume are replicated to an associated backup-system data volume.

RDF/IMP, IMPX, and ZLT also support subvolume-level and file-level replication. To use this capability, you supply INCLUDE and EXCLUDE clauses when configuring updaters to identify specific subvolumes and files you want either replicated or not replicated.

For information about subvolume-level and file-level replication, see Chapter 11 (page 279).

Shared Access DDL Operations

RDF includes two event messages (905 and 908) that assist you in the proper performance of NonStop SQL/MP shared access DDL operations on the backup system. See “Performing Shared Access DDL Operations” (page 152).

Configurable Software Location

By default, RDF software resides on \$SYSTEM.RDF. You can, however, override this location when you configure RDF. When you configure the general RDF attributes, use the SET RDF SOFTWARELOC command. This can be useful if you have different releases of RDF on your system.

You should place the RDFCOM component on \$SYSTEM.SYSTEM, or you must add the new software location to your TACL search-subvolume list.

EMS Support

RDF/IMP, IMPX, and ZLT all support the Event Management System (EMS). They direct their command, event, warning, and error messages to an EMS collector in the form of fully-tokenized messages.

You can view messages in the EMS log online using Viewpoint or any other tool you normally use for monitoring \$0. When you do, so you are perusing the entire EMS log. You can, however, use the standard EMS filter RDFFLTO to isolate RDF messages into an entry-sequenced file which you then can examine using the RDFSCAN online utility.

SMF Support

RDF supports the use of the NonStop Storage Management Foundation (SMF) product on both the primary and backup RDF systems. The database on the primary system can reside on SMF virtual disks, as can the replicated database on the backup system.

All combinations of replication from physical disk to virtual disk, virtual disk to physical disk, and virtual disk to virtual disk are supported.

There are some issues and restrictions that you should be aware of before using RDF in an SMF environment; these are discussed in “Using SMF With RDF” (page 65).

RTD Warning Thresholds

RDF/IMPX and ZLT allow you to designate a pair of RTD warning thresholds: one for the extractor, and another for all of the updaters. Having set those thresholds, you can issue an `RDFCOM STATUS RTDWARNING` command with a designated repeat interval to display information and statistics for only those processes (the extractor or any updater) that have fallen behind the configured RTD threshold. For information about setting the RTD threshold, see “SET RDF” (page 228) and “RDF States” (page 113) .

Process-Lockstep Operation

Process-lockstep operation, which is available with the RDF/IMPX and ZLT products, prevents an application from executing further processing based on a committed business transaction until all audit associated with that transaction is safely stored in the image trails on the backup system.

This is accomplished by means of a new procedure, named DoLockstep, that you call immediately after calling EndTransaction. With this lockstep protocol, the business transaction is actually committed on the primary system prior to the start of the DoLockstep operation, but the application is not allowed to continue processing until DoLockstep has returned status to the application.

For information about this capability, see Chapter 15 (page 309).

Support for Network Transactions

The RDF/IMPX and ZLT products support network transactions: transactions that update data residing on more than one RDF primary system.

More specifically, the updates for a transaction on one of the two primary systems might have been successfully transmitted and applied to the associated backup database, but a disaster brought down the other primary system before the updates by the transaction on that system could be sent to its backup database. After executing RDF takeover operations on both backup systems, the data from the network transaction would be present in one backup database but not in the one brought down by the disaster. Thus the distributed backup database is inconsistent with regard to the affected network transaction.

For information about this capability, see [Chapter 14 \(page 295\)](#).

RDF and NonStop SQL/MX

RDF can replicate NonStop SQL/MX user tables and indexes as well as NonStop SQL/MP objects and Enscribe files.

For information about this capability, see [Chapter 16 \(page 323\)](#).

Zero Lost Transactions (ZLT)

Zero Lost Transactions (ZLT), which is available only with the RDF/ZLT product, is a functional capability that uses mirrored disks to guarantee that no committed transactions on the primary system will be lost in the event of an RDF takeover by the backup system.

For information about this capability, see [Chapter 17 \(page 337\)](#).

Monitoring RDF Entities With ASAP

ASAP (Availability Statistics and Performance) allows many different subsystem entities to be monitored across a network of NonStop servers. The status and statistics for the entities are collected on a single system, and are then monitored either through the ASAP command interface or through the ASAP graphical user interface PC client.

RDF/IMP, IMPX, and ZLT are instrumented to feed state information to ASAP, thus allowing RDF subsystems to be monitored, in an integrated way, alongside all other subsystems supported by ASAP. The following RDF entities report state and statistical information to ASAP:

- Monitor
- Extractor
- RDFNET (optional)
- Receiver
- Purger
- Updater

For information about using ASAP to monitor RDF entities, see [Appendix E \(page 465\)](#).

2 Preparing the RDF Environment

Before RDF can be run on a NonStop system, the system configurations and user applications must meet certain RDF requirements. This chapter explains how to prepare each system for RDF installation and operation, ensuring that all these requirements are met and that you understand the RDF product's restrictions. This information, intended for all readers, covers the following tasks:

- “Configuring Hardware for RDF Operations” (page 57), including primary and backup system configurations, disk volume considerations, and network requirements
- “Preparing Software and Database Files for RDF Operations” (page 59), including TMF and RDF considerations, NonStop SQL database conventions, Enscribe database conventions, and application design factors
- “Using SMF With RDF” (page 65)

Configuring Hardware for RDF Operations

The RDF hardware requirements are summarized in Table 2-1 and described in detail in the next few pages.

Table 2-1 RDF Hardware Requirements

Hardware	Requirements
Primary and Backup Systems	RDF runs on NonStop systems under control of the NonStop operating system. Each RDF primary system must be connected through an Expand path to its RDF backup system.
Communications	The RDF product transmits data on any Expand data communications lines.

Primary System Configuration

The RDF primary system must operate under control of the NonStop operating system, which is the standard operating system for NonStop systems. This system must be connected over an Expand data communication path to one or more RDF backup systems.

Backup System Configuration

The RDF backup system, like the primary system, must operate under control of the NonStop operating system and be connected over an Expand path to one or more RDF primary systems.

In the event of a disaster at the primary site, an identical copy of the primary system's hardware configuration ensures that the backup system can support your business operations without lowering system performance. If the backup system's configuration is identical to that of the primary system, your system personnel can adjust more quickly to the backup environment during disaster recovery.

If you choose not to configure the backup system as an identical copy of the primary system, plan the configuration of the backup system with enough processing power and disk drives to enable RDF to keep the backup database current with the primary database.

Because RDF applies database modifications on the backup system through a private low-level and privileged interface to the disk process, by-passing the file system, the CPU requirements on the backup system when running RDF will typically be lower than the total CPU requirements on the primary system running the applications. Repeated analysis has shown that the cost of replication on the backup system is usually 25% or less than the cost on the primary system. The actual backup CPU requirements depend on many factors, including the RDF configuration, the

rate of audit transmission from the primary system to the backup system, the database update rate, and whether or not you have copies of your applications installed (in “standby” mode).

Sizing the RDF configuration is a complex task that is best carried out by HP personnel. Those personnel can assist you in configuring and sizing your RDF environment using tools and utilities designed and developed as part of the RDF Professional Service.

Contact your service provider for further details.

Disk Volume Limit

The RDF/IMP, IMPX, and ZLT products can protect up to 255 physical or virtual volumes on your primary system, and the updaters for these volumes replicate to either a single physical or virtual disk on the backup system.

Volume-to-Volume Mapping

The recommended disk drive configuration for RDF products is a one-to-one mapping between the primary volumes and their corresponding backup volumes, with mirrored disks on both systems. This one-to-one mapping ensures that each partition of a partitioned file or table is mapped appropriately to a backup volume.

Volume names on the backup system can differ from those on the primary system, but the use of identical primary and backup volume names prevents naming conflicts after a takeover operation. If the names of the backup volumes are different than those of the corresponding primary volumes, you must change all volume references before the primary system’s applications can start on the backup system.

Subvolume-to-Subvolume Name Mapping

RDF can replicate data from subvolumes on the primary system to same or differently named subvolumes on the backup system. For more information, see [Chapter 12 \(page 285\)](#).

Expand (Data Communication) Resources

RDF sends filtered audit data from the primary system over the network to the backup system. A communications path between the systems can be any form of Expand linkage. Plan to configure sufficient communications resources between the primary and backup systems so that RDF can do the following:

- Handle the peak rate of audit data
- Catch up processing in any audit trail if the communications paths go down and are restored (without RDF reinitialization)

If you are using a dedicated Expand path with high throughput, you should set `PATHPACKETBYTES` to 8192. If you are not using a dedicated Expand path, you should use Multipacket frames with `PATHBLOCKBYTES` set to 8192. See also [“Specifying System Generation Parameters for an RDF Environment” \(page 63\)](#).

RDF is designed to extract audit records from the primary system and transmit it to the backup system as quickly as possible. If you are not using the ZLT capability, this limits the number of transactions that could be lost if a disaster should occur at the primary system. See [Unplanned Outages Without ZLT in Chapter 1 \(page 31\)](#).

To estimate the data communications resources needed for RDF, calculate the amount of audit trail data generated per second during peak loads. If your business has seasonal peaks, such as holidays or the ends of calendar quarters, consider the peak rate at those times.

The discussion that follows pertains to the Master Audit Trail (MAT). If you are replicating auxiliary audit trails, you should use the same algorithm for each auxiliary audit trail.

Use the following sampling process once an hour for two weeks to establish your needs:

1. Enter a FUP INFO command for the current TMF MAT and record the end-of-file (EOF) value; for example:

```
FUP INFO $AUDIT.ZTMFAT.*
```

```
CODE      EOF      LAST MODIF OWNER RWEPTYPE REC BLOCK
$AUDIT.ZTMFAT
AA000003 134 11292672      10:05 -1      GGGG
```

2. Enter a FUP INFO command for the current MAT 5 minutes later and record the EOF value; for example:

```
FUP INFO $AUDIT.ZTMFAT.*
```

```
CODE      EOF      LAST MODIF OWNER RWEPTYPE REC BLOCK
$AUDIT.ZTMFAT
AA000003 134 11653120      10:10 -1      GGGG
```

3. If all the TMF audit data is generated on volumes protected by RDF, subtract the first EOF value from the second EOF value to obtain the number of bytes generated during the 5-minute period. Then divide the number of bytes by 300 seconds to determine the amount of audit data generated in a second; for example:

$$(11653120 - 11292672) / 300 = 1202 \text{ bytes per second}$$

The extractor does not necessarily transmit all audit records associated with a particular transaction. For example, audit records associated with physical operations is not transmitted. The reason for this is that the backup database is maintained as a logically identical copy of the primary database, not as a physically identical copy.

The data communications link should have at least two paths (multi-line Expand). Each path should go through different communications carrier paths or switches, and each should be able to transmit the peak data rate. It is often sufficient to have a single Expand path driven out of a single processor, and the use of Expand-over-Servernet, Expand-over-IP, Expand with ATM, or Expand with Fast Ethernet provides considerable bandwidth. For RDF environments where multi-line Expand is absolutely required, see [Chapter 13 \(page 291\)](#).

It is almost impossible to calculate the RDF audit transmission rate from the TMF audit generation rate alone.

HP has developed a sizing tool that can be used to predict accurately the Expand bandwidth requirements between the primary and backup systems by simulating the RDF extractor. That utility reads the TMF audit trails and generates detailed information about TMF audit generation and RDF audit transmission activity. This information is particularly useful when a single system supports multiple applications and RDF will only be configured to protect a subset of these applications. This tool was designed and developed as part of the RDF Professional Service.

Contact your service provider for further details.

Preparing Software and Database Files for RDF Operations

The software requirements for the RDF/IMP, IMPX, and ZLT products appear in [Table 2-2](#).

Table 2-2 Software Requirements

Software	Requirement
Files	The RDF/IMP, IMPX, and ZLT products protect only files on the primary system that are audited by the TMF subsystem.
Auditing	The RDF/IMPX and ZLT products support the use of TMF auxiliary audit trails on the primary system (volumes protected by RDF can store audit data in either the MAT or an auxiliary audit trail). The backup database files are audited, and therefore must also reside on TMF data volumes.
Communications	The RDF/IMP, IMPX, and ZLT products use Expand software to connect the primary system to the backup system.
Operating System	On the primary and backup systems, the installed release version update (RVU) of the operating system must be supported.
TMF Subsystem	On both the primary and backup systems, the installed RVU of the TMF subsystem must be compatible with the installed RVU of the operating system.
NonStop SQL Products	On both the primary and backup systems, the installed RVU of the NonStop SQL product must be compatible with the installed RVU of the operating system.

Configuring TMF for RDF Operations on the Primary System

TMF attempts to purge old audit trail files each time it rolls over to a new one. The purge is performed only if the audit trail file is not pinned on behalf of RDF.

RDF automatically pins audit trail files. The only ways TMF can purge an old audit trail file that is still required by RDF are:

- If you issue an RDFCOM UNPINAUDIT command while RDF is not running.
- If you stop TMF and restart it without restarting RDF. TMF does not retain pinning on behalf of RDF when TMF is stopped and then restarted. If you must stop and restart TMF, be sure to restart RDF before you restart your applications. This causes RDF to re-pin the audit trail files it needs, and thereby prevents TMF from purging the files before RDF has finished processing them.

If you issue an UNPINAUDIT command while audit dumping is disabled and TMF purges an audit trail that has not yet been processed by RDF, you will have to reinitialize RDF and resynchronize the databases. If you have configured TMF for audit dumping, however, you will not need to reinitialize RDF or resynchronize the databases (the extractor will wait until the needed audit trail is restored and then resumes).

AUDITTRAIL BUFFER

After you have configured your TMF audit trails, for each audit trail disk you should configure the AUDITTRAILBUFFER ON and configure it with a reasonable value. You do this with the SCF utility program. By default, AUDITTRAILBUFFER has a value of 128 megabytes, and this may well be a reasonable value for you. By configuring AUDITTRAILBUFFER to at least 128 megabytes, you allow the extractor to read the audit trail files from disk cache rather than physically from disk. Also, by setting the buffer to a high value, you allow the extractor reads to continue to go to cache instead of to disk even when the extractor has fallen behind. Note, if the extractor should fall way behind, for example the communications line to the backup system fails, and if you have insufficient cache, then the extractor's reads will go to disk until it catches up to what is in cache. The ability to read from cache is clearly a performance gain for optimal

extractor-to-receiver throughput. Please note that altering the value of AUDTITRAILBUFFER can be done offline or online, but if you do it online your new value will not take effect until you take the disk down and then bring it back up.

TMF Configuration With Dump Process on the Primary System

When you configure TMF with audit dump on, that subsystem dumps an audit trail file to tape or disk before purging the audit trail file. This approach is strongly recommended on the primary system.

Audit trail files are pinned by the RDF extractor and TMF cannot purge pinned files until the extractor has finished processing them. TMF will keep these files pinned on behalf of the RDF extractor even if you stop RDF. Audit trail pinning is lost if you stop TMF. See also the description of the UNPINAUDIT command in Chapter 8 (page 187).

You can control when TMF dumps an audit trail by configuring TMF for dump to tape. For example, when configured with a tape dump process, TMF issues a prompt for the operator to mount a tape when TMF is ready to dump and purge an old audit trail file. Because TMF cannot execute the dump and purge of the audit trail file until a tape is mounted, the operator can wait until the RDF extractor finishes that file before mounting the tape.

For more information on configuring TMF, see the *TMF Planning and Configuration Guide*.

TMF Configuration Without Dump Process on the Primary System

Long ago, the RDF product required that you configure TMF with a dump process that dumps to tape. RDF no longer imposes this requirement for the following reasons:

- On the primary system, the RDF extractor explicitly pins the audit trail it is currently processing, thereby preventing TMF from purging it. This explicit pinning remains in effect even if the extractor process fails or RDF is shut down.

If you must unpin one or more audit trail files, you can do so by issuing an RDFCOM UNPINAUDIT command. Later, when RDF is restarted, you can restore the necessary audit trail files from tape.

- TMF includes the functional capability of audit overflow volumes. You should always configure them with at least one overflow audit volume.



CAUTION: Although RDF no longer requires you to configure TMF with a dump process that dumps to tape, you should nevertheless configure TMF for dumping to tape or disk if you want to achieve full TMF protection for your primary database. In addition, if the RDF extractor is running behind and you stop the TMF and RDF subsystems before RDF has caught up to the TMF shutdown point, when you subsequently restart TMF, the TMP might roll over the files before the RDF extractor can process them.

If you are required to do a takeover, it is recommended that you take online dumps of the backup database before restarting the applications that will use it.

Configuring TMF for RDF Operations on the Backup System

As is indicated in Chapter 5 (page 121), you are strongly urged to configure TMF on your RDF backup system with audit dumping and you are urged to take frequent online dumps of your backup database. Performing both of these operations helps ensure fast switching of your application from the primary to the backup system. Online dumps of your backup database can also be used to recover a volume on the backup system from a complete media failure, but these online dumps are not useful for any other type of TMF File Recovery operation on your backup system (for example, Recover to First Purge). When you want to take an online dump of your backup database, you must change the RDF UPDATEROPEN parameter from **Protected** (the default value) to **Shared**. When the online dump has completed, you can set the RDF UPDATEROPEN parameter back to **Protected**. Please note that if you take online dumps of your

backup database, you must also take audit dumps too. For more information see, “SET RDF” command in Chapter 8 (page 187).

Preparing Databases for RDF Protection

When preparing databases on the primary system for RDF protection, you must consider the following system aspects:

- Maximum Number of Audited Files Per Volume on Primary System
- Copies of files for the backup database
- DSM catalog and file code 900 replication
- Copies of NonStop SQL views on the backup systems
- Placement of partitioned Enscribe files and NonStop SQL tables

Audited Files Per Volume on Primary System

The RDF updater process has a limit on the number of database files it can have open concurrently on a volume - 3,000. Therefore, when you set up your database on your primary system for RDF protection, you should ensure that you do not have more than 3,000 audited files on any single volume that you want replicated. If you have more, then you should consider moving some of these to a different volume. If you fail to do this, in some situations it can cause the updater to slow down in performance. For more information, see Chapter 5 (page 121).

Audited Backup Database Files

The backup system must have copies of all files that RDF protects. For a successful takeover of business operations in the event of a primary system failure, the backup system should also have copies of all the files needed by the primary system applications (including alternate key files and index files, for example). For each audited data file that resides on the primary protected volume, a corresponding audited file must exist on a volume configured for an updater process on the backup system. The volume name on the backup can differ from that on the primary. For example, if volume \$B on the backup system corresponds to volume \$A on the primary system, then all files protected by RDF on volume \$A must be present (and in the same subvolumes) on \$B.

Chapter 3 (page 69) explains how to copy NonStop SQL/MP databases and Enscribe files to the backup system after stopping both the TMF product and the applications that use that product on the primary system. That is the time to copy any files the applications need to the backup system so that the files are identical on both systems before RDF starts running.

Chapter 16 (page 323) explains how to copy NonStop SQL/MX databases to the backup system after stopping both the TMF product and the applications that use that product on the primary system.

Reload of Backup Database.

If you need to reload the backup database, you must change the RDF UPDATEROPEN parameter from **Protected** (the default value) to **Shared**. When you are done with the reload, you should then change the RDF UPDATEROPEN parameter back to **Protected**. Previously you needed to stop the updaters before modifying this attribute, but you can now modify it online, without stopping the updaters. For more information see, “SET RDF” command in Chapter 8 (page 187).

Disk Process Pins on Database Volumes

To ensure the fastest updater performance, you should configure as many disk process pins as possible for the volumes on which your backup database resides. This is a particularly important requirement if your primary system has really high audit generation rates and you want the RDF updaters to keep up with that audit generation rate.

DSM Catalogs and File Code 900

All files that have the file code 900 are replicated by the RDF product. These consist of DSM Tape Catalog files as well as some related files. In the case of files having the file code 900, RDF replication of them to the RDF backup system can provide critical information if you later lose the primary system to a disaster. However, if you also have a DSM Tape Catalog and related files that specifically pertain to the backup system, you must be careful to place the replicated files in a different location on the backup system. For example, suppose you have a DSM Tape Catalog and related files on `$CAT.DSMCAT` on the primary system, and you have a different DSM Tape Catalog and related files on `$CAT.DSMCAT` on the backup system that specifically pertain to the backup system. In that case you must replicate the DSM Tape Catalog and related files on the primary system to a different location than `$CAT.DSMCAT` on the backup system. For example, you might want to replicate `$CAT.DSMCAT.*` on the primary system to `$DATA.DSMCAT.*` on the backup system. In that way replication of the DSM Tape Catalog and related files from the primary to the backup system does not affect the DSM Tape Catalog and related files in `$CAT.DSMCAT.*` on the backup system.

Views on the Backup System

If an application uses any NonStop SQL shorthand or protection views on a volume protected by RDF, audit data for transactions on the views refers only to the underlying tables and not to the views. Views and their underlying base tables must be present on the backup system after a takeover operation so that applications can continue without interruption.

All base tables underlying the views must also reside on volumes protected by RDF on the primary system.

Partitioned Tables and Files

If any partition of a partitioned NonStop SQL table or Enscribe file exists on a volume protected by RDF, then all partitions for that file should be on volumes protected by RDF. The partitions of a file protected by RDF can reside on separate systems, and all of the systems should be protected by an RDF network. These are not absolute requirements, but if you lose your primary system and must takeover on your backup system, you might not have access to the data that is not protected by RDF.

Database Block Sizes and Cache on the Backup System

The block size of a file or table on your backup system must be identical to the corresponding size of the file or table on the primary system. Failure to set proper block sizes on your backup system can lead to unavoidable data corruption and failure. To ensure fastest RDF updater performance configure as much cache for the block sizes of your database files as possible.

Specifying System Generation Parameters for an RDF Environment

When performing system generation:

- Use the `PATHPACKETBYTES` modifier to enable the Expand Variable Packetsize feature so that Expand will send large packets.
- Use the `CONGCTRL` modifier to enable Expand congestion control.
- Use the `AUDITTRAILBUFFER` parameter to improve RDF extractor performance (set to the highest value).

You might also want to enable the multipacket frame feature, depending upon the type of traffic that will be passed over the Expand path.

For best results, consider using the RDF Professional Service to assist you in defining the Expand requirements for your RDF environment. Contact your service provider for further details.

Designing Transactions for RDF Protection

When designing applications containing transactions that update databases protected by RDF, you must consider the following restrictions that apply to the subsystem:

- The effects of network (distributed) transactions after an RDF takeover operation
- Database operations not replicated by RDF

The sections that follow explain these restrictions.

Replicating Database Operations

Database administrators preparing to work with RDF should be aware of considerations concerning:

- NonStop SQL Data Definition Language (DDL) operations
- NonStop SQL DDL operations with Shared Access
- Enscribe file-label modifications
- Purge operations
- Partitioned files
- Temporary disk files

NonStop SQL DDL Operations

Although RDF replicates NonStop SQL Data Manipulation Language (DML) operations, it does not replicate NonStop SQL Data Definition Language (DDL) operations except for PURGEDATA. Excluding PURGEDATA, the database administrator needs to perform all other DDL operations (such as CREATE TABLE or CREATE INDEX) manually on the backup system as well as on the primary system.

User programs should not create audited NonStop SQL tables and write to them without coordinating table creation on the primary system with table creation on the backup system.

Recommended procedures for performing NonStop SQL DDL operations in an RDF environment are described in “NonStop SQL/MP or NonStop SQL/MX Databases” (page 160).

Enscribe File-Label Modifications

In general, RDF does not replicate Enscribe file-label modifications.

File-label modifications in Enscribe are similar to DDL operations in NonStop SQL products, in that the modifications do not manipulate the file itself. Instead, file-label modifications alter attributes of the file, such as the file code, the security, the extent size, and the audit setting.

The only file-label modifications that RDF replicates are:

CREATE	To create an audited Enscribe file
ALTER MAXEXTENTS	To increase the number of extents for an audited Enscribe file
PURGEDATA	To purge data from an audited Enscribe file
PURGE	To purge an Enscribe file (if REPLICATEPURGE is enabled)

Purge Operations

The two kinds of purge operations are PURGEDATA and PURGE. RDF replicates PURGEDATA operations for NonStop SQL tables and Enscribe files. RDF replicates PURGE operations for Enscribe files if REPLICATEPURGE is set on.

Partitioned Files

All partitions of a partitioned Enscribe file or NonStop SQL table or index must reside on volumes protected by RDF, or none should. Corresponding partitions on each system must have the same key values.



CAUTION: For partitioned files, it is essential that the partial key value for Enscribe files or first key value for NonStop SQL tables on the backup system exactly match those on the primary system. This is the RDF database administrator's responsibility.

If you are using RDF to replicate the creation of partitioned files and an RDF takeover operation occurs in the midst of a set of creations, some partitions might have been created while others were not, because each partition of a partitioned file is created independently.

Temporary Disk Files

File creation, modification, and updates are not replicated for audited temporary disk files. All audit data is filtered out by the extractor on the primary system for file names of the form `$volume.#nnnnnnn`.

A filename that begins with # (pound sign) indicates a temporary disk file; this type of file name is returned when only the volume name is specified in a call to the file-system CREATE procedure or FILE_CREATE_ procedure.

Using SMF With RDF

RDF supports the full use of SMF on both the primary and backup nodes.

There are two basic ways to configure SMF logical volumes:

- Map many physical disks to a single virtual disk Create SMF pools where each is comprised of many physical volumes and create SMF virtual disks from these pools. In this configuration, the files on any given virtual disk will be spread across multiple physical disks allowing you to pool together many physical disks to create a very large virtual disk.



NOTE: A single updater process can only work on 3000 files at any time. If you have a virtual disk that has a number of physical disks in its pool, and if the number of files that need to be updated by the updater assigned to that virtual disk exceeds 3000, the updater will close some files in order to work on files it does not already have open. If this updater must regularly work on more than 3000 files, the performance of the updater will be impacted. For optimal updater performance, you should ensure that no single updater has to work on more than 3000 files on a regular basis. This might mean that you have to reduce the number of physical disks in a pool.

- Map many virtual disks to a single physical disk Create SMF pools where each is comprised of a single physical disk and create SMF virtual disks from these pools. In this configuration, all the files on a given virtual disk reside on one physical disk allowing you to have a very large physical disk volume subdivided into a number of smaller logical volumes. In this way it is possible to have multiple partitions of a file residing on a single physical volume, with each partition of the file stored on a different logical volume.

Both of these configurations are supported by RDF. There are some restrictions when using SMF on the backup system which are described in detail later in this chapter.

Configuring an SMF Environment on the Primary System

When configuring an SMF environment on an RDF primary system, make sure that SMF catalog files are not replicated by RDF to the backup system. The SMF catalogs on the primary and backup systems must remain independent of each other. There are three ways to do so:

- Place the SMF catalog on a primary system volume that is **not** protected by RDF.
The extractor ignores any audit generated by disks outside the RDF configuration, and hence will not replicate any changes to the SMF catalog on the primary system. With this option, you can store the catalog in either the default SMF catalog subvolume or your own subvolume.
- Place the SMF catalog in the default SMF catalog subvolume on a volume that **is** protected by RDF.
The extractor automatically filters out changes to the SMF catalog if the catalog is in the default SMF catalog subvolume. If you store the catalog in your own subvolume, the extractor will try to replicate changes to the catalog, which could have an adverse affect on RDF and any SMF catalogs with the same subvolume name on the backup system.
- Place the SMF catalog in a subvolume that is explicitly excluded from RDF protection. INCLUDE and EXCLUDE clauses are described in [Chapter 11 \(page 279\)](#).

Configuring an SMF Environment on the Backup RDF System

RDF supports the replication to SMF logical volumes on the backup system, with the following restrictions:

- When replicating to an SMF logical volume, the logical volume must belong to an SMF pool that contains 15 or fewer physical volumes, hence each updater can apply audit to up to 15 physical disks.
- The RDF/IMP product limits the total number of physical or virtual UPDATE volumes to 255. RDF/IMPX and ZLT have no such limitation, other than the limit of 255 updaters and each updater only being able to work on a maximum of 15 physical volumes.
- Image trail volumes cannot reside on SMF logical volumes.

There are no restrictions on the placement of SMF catalog files on the backup system. If the backup system could ever become a primary (such as after an RDF takeover, for example, or as the result of a planned switchover), then the restrictions described in the preceding topic for primary systems also apply.



NOTE: A single updater process only works on 3000 files at any time. If you have a virtual disk that has many physical disks in its pool, and if the number of files that need to be updated by the updater assigned to that virtual disk exceeds 3000, the updater will close some files in order to work on files it does not already have open. If this updater must regularly work on more than 3000 files, the performance of the updater is impacted. For optimal updater performance, ensure that no single updater must work on more than 3000 files on a regular basis. This condition might mean that you have to reduce the number of physical disks in a pool.

RDF replicates Enscribe file creations when audited Enscribe files are created on RDF protected volumes. When the UPDATEVOLUME is a virtual disk, the updater process tells SMF to create the file and register it in the SMF catalog. When the UPDATEVOLUME is a virtual disk consisting of multiple physical disks, SMF decides which physical disk will store the file. You have no control over where a new Enscribe file is created. For more information about the factors SMF uses to decide on the file placement, see the *Storage Management Foundation User's Guide*.

You can change the physical volume on which files reside in the SMF pool using the FUP RELOCATE command. This command only works on closed files, so the updaters must be stopped before relocating any files.

SMF allows physical disks to be added and removed from pools. The RDF updaters must be stopped prior to the addition or deletion of any physical disks from SMF pools on the backup system.

3 Installing and Configuring RDF

After preparing your system configurations and user applications to meet RDF requirements, you are ready to install and configure RDF. This chapter, which is intended for system managers, system analysts, and database administrators, describes how to do these tasks.

The procedures described in this chapter require that your business applications already be operational on the primary system, all important database files already be protected by TMF, the necessary Expand lines already exist between the primary and backup systems, and the backup system includes all necessary disk volumes.

Installing and configuring RDF involves these steps:

- “Preparing the Primary System” (page 69)
- “Preparing the Backup System” (page 70)
- “Installing RDF” (page 75)
- “Initializing and Configuring TMF” (page 78)
- “Initializing and Configuring RDF” (page 79)
- “Enabling RDF Operations” (page 97)

Typically, this work involves using RDFCOM, TMFCOM (the interactive interface to TMF), SQLCI (the NonStop SQL/MP interactive interface), MXCI (the NonStop SQL/MX interactive interface), TACL (the interactive interface to the NonStop operating system), or FUP.

Preparing the Primary System

Before installing RDF, you must perform the following operations at the primary system:

1. If you are going to do offline initialization or offline database synchronization, stop the necessary software in this order:
 - a. Stop all applications being protected by TMF.
 - b. Stop TMF.



NOTE: If you are going to use the DBSYNCHTIME parameter (for online database synchronization) or the INITTIME parameter (for online initialization), you do not need to stop your applications or TMF. For information about online database synchronization, see Chapter 7 (page 167).

2. Prepare your NonStop SQL tables and Enscribe files for RDF protection:
 - a. Separate the tables to be protected by RDF from the tables not to be protected. (This step is recommended but not required.)
 - b. Set audit compression (the AUDITCOMPRESS file attribute) ON for all tables and files to be protected by RDF. Audit compression ON is the creation default for NonStop SQL tables and indexes. Although not required by RDF, audit compression will enhance RDF performance.

Stopping the Software

After you stop all applications protected by TMF, stop TMF itself by issuing a STOP TMF command through the TMFCOM interactive interface. (You only need to stop your applications and TMF if you are going to use the TIMESTAMP parameter of the INIT RDF command or if you are going to omit the timestamp parameter in all forms). For information about issuing this and other TMFCOM commands, see the *HP NonStop TMF Reference Manual*.

Preparing the Tables and Files

Now prepare your tables and files.

Separating NonStop SQL Tables

It is recommended that you avoid registering NonStop SQL tables protected by RDF in the same catalogs as tables that are not protected by RDF. Separating protected tables from unprotected ones simplifies the comparison of primary system catalogs with backup system catalogs.

Compressing Audit Data for Tables and Files

Although not required by RDF, using the AUDITCOMPRESS file attribute will enhance RDF performance. TMF compresses the audit data generated for NonStop SQL tables and Enscribe files for which AUDITCOMPRESS is ON. For applications involving updates of only a few bytes to large existing rows or records, this audit compression greatly reduces both the amount of audit records the extractor must read and send to the receiver and the corresponding amount of RDF traffic on the communications line.

For NonStop SQL tables and indexes, AUDITCOMPRESS is the default. If the value has been changed to NO AUDITCOMPRESS for a table, you can use an ALTER TABLE command, entered through the NonStop SQL conversational interface, to reset the default value:

```
ALTER TABLE table-name AUDITCOMPRESS;
```

For Enscribe files, the default for AUDITCOMPRESS is OFF. To turn off the AUDITCOMPRESS attribute for an Enscribe file, use the File Utility Program (FUP) to enter an ALTER command:

```
FUP ALTER filename, AUDITCOMPRESS
```

Preparing the Backup System

Before starting RDF, you need to copy every database, program, and file that the primary system applications use to the backup system so that the backup system can take over in the event of a primary system failure. In the backup copies, you need to change any occurrences of the primary system name to the backup system name. RDF replicates the database; you should use the NonStop Autosync product to replicate everything else that is not audited, such as important application files, objects, and scripts.

If the names of any volumes or devices that the applications might use on the backup system are different from the names on the primary system, you must also change any references to these volumes or devices.

It is strongly recommended that the backup system have one volume for every volume protected by RDF on the primary system and that each backup volume have the same name as the corresponding primary volume. If the backup volume names are not identical to the primary volume names, then you need to update every backup partitioned file and every backup file that has alternate keys so that each points to the right volume name. Also, if you replicate two or more volumes on the primary system to a single volume on the backup system, the updaters might fall behind under very high throughput due to the double workload on the underlying disk process.

RDF requires that TMF be started on the backup system, the database on the backup system resides on configured data volumes, the data volumes be physically up, and the files and tables be audited. BEGINTRANS should be enabled. SMF disks should be audited. If replicating NonStop SQL Format 2 audit data, be sure the backup system supports it.

For NonStop SQL databases, you must create catalogs on the backup system and you need copies of the following objects on the backup system:

- Catalogs in which base tables protected by RDF and objects dependent on those base tables are registered, preferably with the same names as the primary system catalogs
- All base tables that reside on primary system volumes protected by RDF
- All views and indexes dependent on base tables protected by RDF
- All program files for applications that use any base tables protected by RDF if you want the applications to run at the backup site after an RDF takeover operation

The backup system should also have copies of the following files in case an RDF takeover operation is necessary:

- OBEY command files and TACL scripts containing NonStop SQL/MP or NonStop SQL/MX DDL commands that define the database
- SQLCI or MXCI report definitions

To make it easy to compare catalogs on the primary and backup systems, it is strongly recommended that you register objects protected by RDF in separate catalogs from objects not protected by RDF. Either all the tables in a catalog should be protected or none of the tables should be protected.

Every NonStop SQL object maintained on the backup system must be registered in a catalog, even if the object is not protected by RDF.

Synchronizing the Primary and Backup Databases

For databases to be synchronized in an RDF environment, the database on the backup system must be logically identical to the database on the primary system. There are two ways to synchronize your databases: offline and online. This topic covers offline database synchronization. For a description of online database synchronization, see [Chapter 7 \(page 167\)](#).

To ensure consistency between the primary and backup databases, you should copy the primary database to the backup system before RDF updating starts. The most effective way to synchronize the databases follows:

1. Stop TMF auditing on the primary system by turning off the applications and stopping TMF.
2. Create a copy of the primary database on the backup system.

The tools for synchronizing databases on NonStop systems are:

- The TACL OBEY command enables you to create the same database structures on the primary system and the backup system by using commands in an EDIT file to create reusable TACL macros and routines.
- The SQLCI or MXCI CREATE CATALOG command can re-create NonStop SQL/MP or NonStop SQL/MX catalogs on the backup system.
- The SQLCI or MXCI DUP utility can copy NonStop SQL/MP or NonStop SQL/MX objects and Enscribe files from one system to another.
- The BACKUP and RESTORE utilities can copy NonStop SQL/MP or NonStop SQL/MX objects and Enscribe files to and from tape.
- The FUP DUP command can copy Enscribe files from one system to another.
- The NonStop Autosync product can replicate all application programs and files other than your RDF database.

Backing up partitioned files requires some extra planning, as explained in [“Synchronizing Partitioned Files” \(page 74\)](#).

For a complete discussion of synchronized versus unsynchronized databases and their ramifications, see [“Understanding Database States” \(page 157\)](#).

Re-Creating an Empty Database With an OBEY Command

If a database on the primary system does not contain any data yet, use either an OBEY command file or a TACL macro to re-create the database on the backup system.

To create logically identical database structures on the primary and backup systems, first do the following at the primary system:

1. Place the database creation commands in either an **EDIT (command) file or TACL macro or routine**. See the *TACL Reference Manual* for more information.
2. Through the TACL command interpreter, issue an OBEY *filename* command or run the macro to create the primary database.

3. Copy the command file or TACL macro to the backup system.

Now do the following on the backup system:

- Change any system references in the command file or TACL macro from the primary system name to the backup system name. If the volume names are different or if you want a different database layout on the backup system, change volume references as well.
- Through the TACL command interpreter, issue an OBEY *filename* command or run the macro to create the backup database.

Synchronizing Databases With SQLCI Commands

This topic only applies to NonStop SQL/MP databases. For instructions on how to synchronize NonStop SQL/MX databases, see [Chapter 16 \(page 323\)](#).

You can use SQLCI commands to synchronize NonStop SQL/MP databases online. For NonStop SQL/MP databases, you create the catalog or catalogs on the backup system and then duplicate the objects registered in each catalog.

For complete information about using SQLCI to copy databases, see the information on moving databases in the *SQL/MP Installation and Management Guide*. For the syntax of SQLCI commands, see the SQLCI online help or the *SQL/MP Reference Manual*.

The following example shows how you can create a partitioned NonStop SQL/MP table with an alternate index on the primary system with the SQLCI CREATE command, and then duplicate this table on the backup system by using the SQLCI DUP command. In this example, \PRIM is the primary system and \BACK is the backup system.

Notice that the catalog for this NonStop SQL/MP table is created on the backup system before starting RDF on the primary system so that RDF will recognize the backup catalog and not report errors when attempting to process audit data for this catalog.

1. Using SQLCI, enter a CREATE command to create the catalog on the backup system. TMF must be up for NonStop SQL/MP catalog updating:

```
CREATE CATALOG \BACK.$DATA1.DBCAT;
```

2. Set up DEFINES on the primary system to simplify referring to NonStop SQL/MP tables in subsequent SQLCI commands for the primary system:

```
SET DEFMODE ON;
ADD DEFINE =EMPLOYEE, CLASS MAP,
          FILE \PRIM.$DATA1.DB.EMPLOYEE;
ADD DEFINE =EMPLPAR2, CLASS MAP,
          FILE \PRIM.$DATA2.DB.EMPLOYEE;
ADD DEFINE =EMPLNAME, CLASS MAP,
          FILE \PRIM.$DATA2.DB.EMPLNAME;
```

3. Create the catalog on your primary system and make this the default catalog for all partitions:

```
CREATE CATALOG \PRIM.$TEST.DBCAT;
CATALOG \PRIM.$TEST.DBCAT;
```

4. Enter a CREATE TABLE command to create the partitioned table:

```
CREATE TABLE =EMPLOYEE (
    EMPNUM          DECIMAL (5) UNSIGNED NO DEFAULT,
    FIRST_NAME      CHARACTER (15)        NO DEFAULT,
    LAST_NAME       CHARACTER (20)        NO DEFAULT,
    PRIMARY KEY EMPNUM )
    ORGANIZATION KEY SEQUENCED
    PARTITION ( =EMPLPAR2 FIRST KEY 3000 );
```

This command creates an audited table with AUDITCOMPRESS on.

5. Enter CREATE CONSTRAINT commands for any constraints that values in particular columns of the table must satisfy:

```
CREATE CONSTRAINT EMPNUM_CONSTRAINT
ON =EMPLOYEE
CHECK EMPNUM BETWEEN 1 AND 99999;
```

6. Create the index for the NonStop SQL/MP table on the primary system:

```
CREATE INDEX =EMPLNAME
ON =EMPLOYEE( LAST_NAME, FIRST_NAME );
```

7. Enter commands to specify the data to be inserted into the table on the primary system:

```
INSERT INTO =EMPLOYEE ( EMPNUM, FIRST_NAME, LAST_NAME )
VALUES ( 826, "Evans", "Joan" );
```

```
INSERT INTO =EMPLOYEE ( EMPNUM, FIRST_NAME, LAST_NAME )
VALUES ( 3351, "MacArthur", "Bill" );
```

```
INSERT INTO =EMPLOYEE ( EMPNUM, FIRST_NAME, LAST_NAME )
VALUES ( 10809, "Gember", "Tom" );
```

Now direct your attention to the backup system (\BACK). As you perform the necessary tasks on this system, note these considerations:

- DEFINES cannot be used if you specify MAP NAMES parameter in the DUP command.
- The DUP operation moves the entire database, including all partitions and indexes, by default.
- The catalog \BACK.\$DATA1.DBCAT is used for all partitions and all indexes.

8. Specify the catalog for the backup system:

```
CATALOG \BACK.$DATA1.DBCAT;
```

9. Use the SQLCI DUP command to copy the primary system's database to the backup system:

```
DUP ( *.* FROM CATALOG \PRIM.$TEST.DBCAT ),
MAP NAMES ( \PRIM.$DATA1.* TO \BACK.$DATA1.* ,
\PRIM.$DATA2.* TO \BACK.$DATA2.* )
SAVEALL ON;
```

10. After using the SQLCI DUP command, perform a TMF online dump on the primary system to create a recovery point.

Synchronizing Databases With BACKUP and RESTORE Utilities

You can use the BACKUP and RESTORE utilities to synchronize NonStop SQL/MP, NonStop SQL/MX, or Enscribe databases by copying a database to tape on the primary system and restoring the database from tape on the backup system. This method is preferable when you want a backup tape of the primary system database, or when the database is large.

The following example of BACKUP and RESTORE commands shows how to copy a NonStop SQL/MP database from the primary system \PRIM to the magnetic tape device named \$TAPE and how to restore the database to volumes of the same name on the backup system \BACK. You must include the AUDITED parameter in both the BACKUP and RESTORE commands.

1. Back up the database from \PRIM onto tape:

```
BACKUP $TAPE, (*.* FROM CATALOG \PRIM.$TEST.DBCAT),
AUDITED, INDEXES IMPLICIT, LISTALL
```

2. Restore the database from tape onto \BACK (assuming the catalog was already created):

```
RESTORE $TAPE, *.* , AUDITED,
MAP NAMES ( \PRIM.$DATA1.* TO \BACK.$DATA1.* ,
\PRIM.$DATA2.* TO \BACK.$DATA2.* ),
CATALOG \BACK.$DATA1.DBCAT, INDEXES IMPLICIT,
SQLCOMPILE OFF, LISTALL
```

The next examples of BACKUP and RESTORE commands show how to copy all files from the primary system volumes \$DATA01, \$DATA02, \$DATA03, and \$DATA04 to the magnetic tape device named \$TAPE and how to restore these files to volumes of the same name on the backup

system. You must include the AUDITED parameter in both the BACKUP and RESTORE commands.

```
BACKUP $TAPE, ($DATA01.*.*, $DATA02.*.*, $DATA03.*.*,  
$DATA04.*.*), AUDITED
```

```
RESTORE $TAPE, ($DATA01.*.*, $DATA02.*.*, $DATA03.*.*, $DATA04.*.*), AUDITED
```

Synchronizing Databases With FUP

You can use the FUP DUP command to copy Enscribe database files from the primary system to the backup system. If you use FUP DUP, the “FUP ALTER *filename*, NO AUDIT” command is performed implicitly for each backup file that corresponds to a primary file protected by RDF. You will therefore need to turn the audit flags back on for all the data volumes on the backup system after the FUP DUP operation is complete.



NOTE: For this copy operation to work correctly, do not specify the SAVEALL parameter in the FUP DUP command.

Synchronizing Partitioned Files

When synchronizing partitioned files, you must consider one major difference between NonStop SQL/MP tables and Enscribe files: a NonStop SQL/MP catalog has a description of all indexes of a table and partitions of a partitioned table, but a partitioned Enscribe file has no associated catalog.

To ensure the consistency of a NonStop SQL/MP catalog, you must copy all partitions of a NonStop SQL/MP table and its dependent indexes at one time rather than on a partition basis. You can use either the SQLCI DUP command or the BACKUP and RESTORE utilities to copy the partitions.

For an Enscribe file, you can use the FUP DUP command or the BACKUP and RESTORE utilities to copy the individual indexes and partitions. Then use FUP ALTER to incorporate the other partitions and any alternate indexes into the primary partition.

If the volume names for partitions on the backup system are different from the volume names on the primary system, you need to change the volume references for those partitions.

Backing Up Application Programs and Files

To enable the backup system to take over in the event of a primary system failure, you need to put usable copies of all program files, OBEY command files, and other files your applications use on the backup system. You can do this by using the NonStop Autosync product. After copying these files, you might need to change names to reflect the backup system’s naming conventions, and you might need to recompile some programs.

The following practices are recommended:

- SQL compile all NonStop SQL/MP programs after moving them to the backup system. A static recompilation reduces the applications’ startup costs after an RDF takeover operation. Alternatively, you can use the late binding feature. To do this, the SIMILARITY CHECK attribute for all referenced tables and protection views must be enabled and the program compiled with the CHECK INOPERABLE PLANS parameter.
- Use DEFINES for all NonStop SQL/MP objects where possible; this simplifies the commands for your OBEY command files and the commands for your NonStop SQL/MP DDL operations.

Cache for RDF IMAGETRAILS and UPDATER UPDATEVOLUMES

When you have determined the volumes you wish to use for Imagetrails and Updatevolumes, you should configure several thousand 4k blocks of cache for each volume. This will considerably increase the performance of the receiver and updaters.

Installing RDF

The RDF/IMP, IMPX, or ZLT software, and all related documentation, is distributed on three independent product release compact disks (CDs). After loading a CD, double click on the **Readme** icon for complete instructions on how to install the RDF/IMP, IMPX, or ZLT software. Before installing this product, use NonStop SPR Scout to obtain access to all applicable software product revisions (SPRs).

RDF/IMP (T0346) Product Components

The release CD includes these components for the RDF/IMP product:

CHEKDOC	Documentation for RDFCHEK (an EDIT file)
RDFAFXO	The RDF audit-fixup object code file
RDFCHEK	An RDF file comparison utility
MD5CHEK	An RDF file comparison utility
MD5SRVO	The server component of MD5CHEK
RDFCOM	The RDF command interface object code file
RDFHELP	The RDFCOM HELP file (an EDIT file)
RDFEXTO	The RDF extractor object code file
RDFINST	The RDFINST TACL macro (an EDIT file)
RDFMONO	The RDF monitor object code file
RDFNETO	The RDFNET object code file
RDFRCVO	The RDF receiver object code file
RDFPRGO	The RDF purger object code file
RDFSCAN	The RDFSCAN object code file
RDFSCANH	The RDFSCAN HELP file (an EDIT file)
RDFSNOOP	The RDFSNOOP object code file
RDFUPDO	The RDF updater object code file
READLIST	A diagnostic tool for analysts that reads undo lists and dumps data into entry-sequenced files
RDIMAGE	A diagnostic tool for HP analysts
T0346ann	The software documentation file (an EDIT file)
RDFFLTO	A filter to use with EMSDIST to isolate RDF messages
README	Information about the release CD itself
LICENSE	Information about component licensing

RDF/IMPX (T0347) Product Components

The release CD includes these components for the RDF/IMPX product:

RDF/IMPX	All of the T0346 product components plus the RDF/IMPX enabler module
Readme	The software documentation file

RDF/ZLT (T0618) Product Components

The release CD includes the following components for the RDF/ZLT product:

RDF/ZLT	The RDF/ZLT enabler module
Readme	The software documentation file

To use the RDF/ZLT product, you must purchase both RDF/IMPX and RDF/ZLT (two separate CDs), install RDF/IMPX, and then install RDF/ZLT.

Process-Lockstep Gateway (T1226) Product Components

The release CD includes the following files associated with the process-lockstep capability:

SLOCKCOB	Sample code for invoking the DoLockstep procedure from a COBOL 85 program.
LSGO	RDF lockstep gateway object code.
LSLIBTO	DoLockstep procedure object code.
FDOLOCK	Forward declarations of the DoLockstep procedure call.

The process-lockstep capability is available only with the RDF/IMPX and ZLT products. For information about this capability, see [Chapter 15 \(page 309\)](#).

Component Licensing

Some of the files on the CD must be licensed before they can be run.

One of the advantages of using the RDFINST macro is that it automatically licenses those programs that need to be licensed.

RDFINST licenses these programs:

- RDFAFXO
- RDFCOM
- RDFEXTO
- RDFMONO
- RDFPRGO
- RDFRCVO
- RDFSNOOP
- RDFUPDO
- RDIMAGE

Security Guidelines

The information that follows will help you establish appropriate NonStop operating system and Safeguard security for your RDF environment. [Table 3-1](#) identifies the special security-related attributes for each type of program in an RDF environment.

Table 3-1 RDF Process and Program Security Attributes

Program Name	Run Under a Specific Logon ?	LICENSE Required for Object File?
RDFAFXO	YES ++	YES
RDFCHEK	NO	NO
MD5CHEK	NO	NO
MD5SRVO	NO	NO
RDFCOM	YES; 255,nnn +	YES

Table 3-1 RDF Process and Program Security Attributes *(continued)*

Program Name	Run Under a Specific Logon ?	LICENSE Required for Object File?
RDFEXTO	YES ++	YES
RDFMONO	YES ++	YES
RDFNETO	YES ++	NO
RDFPRGO	YES ++	YES
RDFRCVO	YES ++	YES
RDFSCAN	NO++++	NO
RDFSNOOP	YES +++	YES
RDFUPDO	YES ++	YES
READLIST	NO	NO
RDIMAGE	YES ++	YES
+ RDFCOM operational commands require super-user group access; however, INFO and STATUS commands can be issued by all users. ++ The RDF processes run under the userid of the user who set the PROGID attribute, or the RDF OWNER. +++ RDFSNOOP requires super-user group access to read image files. ++++ Depends upon security of entry-sequenced file being accessed.		

The following summarizes the reasons for the various security requirements of each RDF program:

- **RDFAFXO.** The RDFAFXO process uses privileged TMF procedures to fix the audit trail files and reset the CRASHOPEN flag in the audit trail file label and must be licensed with FUP or by running the RDFINST macro. RDFAFXO can be owned by any user ID.
- **RDFCOM.** The RDFCOM program communicates with the TMP in privileged mode and must be licensed with FUP or by running the RDFINST macro. RDFCOM can be owned by any user ID; however, it must be run by a member of the super-user group (user ID 255,nnn) to change the running state of RDF.

Alternatively, RDFCOM supports the use of the SAFEGUARD PROGID attribute to enable any user to start, stop, and manage RDF. Once the PROGID attribute is set, you must limit EXECUTE access to the RDFCOM object so that only those persons authorized to manage RDF can run RDFCOM.

- **RDFEXTO.** The RDF extractor program communicates with the TMP in privileged mode and must be licensed with FUP or by running the RDFINST macro. RDFEXTO can be owned by any user ID.
- **RDFMONO.** The RDF monitor program communicates with the TMP in privileged mode and must be licensed with FUP or by running the RDFINST macro. RDFMONO can be owned by any user ID.
- **RDFNETO.** The RDFNETO program opens and writes to the network synchronization file on each of the primary systems participating in the RDF network. RDFNETO can be owned by any user ID.
- **RDFPRGO.** The RDF purger program purges image files in privileged mode and must be licensed with FUP or by running the RDFINST macro. RDFPRGO can be owned by any user ID.
- **RDFRCVO.** The RDF receiver program opens the image files in privileged mode and must be licensed with FUP or by running the RDFINST macro. RDFRCVO can be owned by any user ID.
- **RDFSCAN.** The RDFSCAN program contains no privileged calls or privileged code and need not be licensed. RDFSCAN can be owned and run by any user ID.

- **RDFSNOOP.** The RDFSNOOP program opens the image files in privileged mode and must be licensed with FUP or by running the RDFINST macro. RDFSNOOP can be owned by any user ID. RDFSNOOP must be run by a member of the super-user group (user ID 255,nnn) to read the image files.
- **RDFUPDO.** RDF updater programs open image files in privileged mode and must be licensed with FUP or by running the RDFINST macro. RDFUPDO also must be able to open database files for protected write access. When querying the backup database files, users should always open the files for shared read access.
- **RDIMAGE.** The RDIMAGE program opens the image files in privileged mode and must be licensed with FUP or by running the RDFINST macro. RDIMAGE can be owned by any user ID. RDIMAGE must be run by a member of the super-user group (user ID 255,nnn) to read the image files.

Using the OWNER Attribute to Allow Super Group Users to Start, Stop, and Manage RDF

By setting the OWNER global configuration parameter in a SET RDF configuration command, you are specifying the primary owner of your RDF environment (such as SUPER.RDF, for example). Doing so enables other super group userids to start, stop, and manage RDF.

Once the OWNER attribute is set, you must use SAFEGUARD to limit EXECUTE access to the RDFCOM object so that only those super group users authorized to manage RDF can run RDFCOM. Failure to do so is a serious security risk because, thereafter, all RDF objects run as the userid of the RDF OWNER.

Initializing and Configuring TMF

After copying the appropriate files from the primary system to the backup system, you must ensure that TMF is configured on both systems to support RDF operations. The actions you take to do this depend on whether or not TMF was running previously on this system.

TMF Subsystem Not Running Previously

If TMF was not running previously on the primary system, after you have installed TMF you should take the following steps:

1. Include the following commands in the TMF configuration OBEY command file:

```
START TMF, DISABLE BEGINTRANS
DISABLE AUDITDUMP MAT
```

Although not required by RDF, it is recommended that you start TMF with transaction processing turned off, and then turn it on after the RDF subsystem is started. Doing so assures you that RDF is fully operational before transaction processing begins.

The DISABLE AUDITDUMP command ensures that TMF does not purge any audit trail files before RDF extracts all pertinent data from them.

2. Initiate a TMFCOM session and then execute the TMF configuration OBEY command file.



NOTE: You should not restart the applications until RDF has been installed, initialized, started, and transaction processing in the primary system has been turned on (by issuing a TMFCOM ENABLE BEGINTRANS command).

If TMF was not running previously on the backup system, after you have installed TMF you must use TMFCOM to issue a START TMF command and one or more ADD DATAVOLS commands to add to the TMF configuration all disk volumes to be used by the RDF updater processes.

TMF Subsystem Running Previously

If TMF was running on the primary system and you have shut the TMF subsystem down, and if you have started TMF on the backup system and added the RDF updater volumes to the TMF configuration, you need not take any other steps with respect to TMF. Proceed to the next task, described in “Initializing RDF”.

Initializing and Configuring RDF

After initializing and configuring TMF, you are ready to initialize and configure RDF.

Initializing RDF

To initialize RDF, you issue an INITIALIZE RDF command at the primary system. When executed, this command:

- Establishes new configuration and context files for the new RDF configuration (that resides in the control subvolume)
- Identifies the backup system in the configuration
- Establishes a starting location in the audit trail where each configured extractor commences reading audit.

The INITIALIZE RDF command also establishes the name of the RDF control subvolume, which you must subsequently specify when initiating RDFCOM sessions. If you enter this command for an RDF configuration that already exists, you must explicitly purge the configuration files and context files from the control subvolumes on both the primary and backup systems; otherwise, an error message will appear. This requirement helps ensure that you do not accidentally destroy the wrong RDF configuration in cases where multiple RDF configurations exist for replication to multiple backup systems.



NOTE: Previously you were required to purge the RDF control subvolumes on the primary and backup systems before you could run the RDFCOM Initialize RDF command (see details on RDF control subvolume in [Chapter 4 \(page 99\)](#)). You can now specify a special option that automatically purges the existing control subvolume on the primary and backup system as part of the RDF initialization command. For complete information on INITIALIZE RDF, see [Chapter 8 \(page 187\)](#).

If you are going to replicate database changes to multiple backup systems, you must also specify a one-character control subvolume suffix in the INITIALIZE RDF command for individual configurations. If you specify a suffix character, the control subvolume name is the name of the primary system without the backslash and with the suffix character appended to it. If you omit the suffix character, the control subvolume name is the name of the primary system without the backslash and without a suffix character.

As a general rule, you can only issue the INITIALIZE RDF command if all of the following conditions exist:

- TMF is initialized.
- RDF is not running.
- You are logged on under TACL as a member of the super-user group.
- You have a remote password from the primary system to the backup system. (It is recommended, but not required, that you have a remote password from the backup system to the primary system as well.)

For complete information about the INITIALIZE RDF command, see the description of the INITIALIZE RDF command in [Chapter 8 \(page 187\)](#).

Initializing RDF To a TMF Shutdown Timestamp

If TMF was running previously on the primary system and did not need to be initialized and configured, you can initialize RDF to a timestamp that reflects the time of the last TMF shutdown. This initialization is typically used when one stops TMF in order to initialize RDF to that TMF stop location. This might be useful if you are about to use RDF for the first time and you stop TMF in order to synchronize your backup database to your primary database. After you have synchronized the databases and initialized RDF, you can start TMF, start RDF, and start your applications with an assurance that no audit will be skipped when RDF commences replication operations.

To issue the INITIALIZE RDF command without first initiating an RDFCOM session, enter the command in the following format in response to the TACL prompt. In the TIMESTAMP parameter, be certain to specify the exact time (to the minute) that TMF was last shut down. You determine the appropriate timestamp by examining previous TMF messages in the EMS log. In this example, the TIMESTAMP parameter specifies 1:32 p.m., January 7, 1999:

```
>RDFCOM; INITIALIZE RDF, BACKUPSYSTEM \CHICAGO,
    SUFFIX A, TIMESTAMP 7JAN1999 13:32
```

To issue the INITIALIZE RDF command from within an RDFCOM session, enter the following in response to the RDFCOM prompt:

```
] INITIALIZE RDF, BACKUPSYSTEM \CHICAGO, SUFFIX A,
TIMESTAMP 7JAN1999 13:32
```

If the INITIALIZE RDF commands in this discussion were issued from the primary system \DALLAS, RDF would respond by creating a configuration file in the control subvolume named \$SYSTEM.DALLASA.CONFIG.

Initializing RDF Without any Timestamp Option

If you have just installed (or deleted and reinstalled) TMF so that it starts at relative byte address (rba) 0 in audit trail file sequence number 1, you should now issue an INITIALIZE RDF command without the TIMESTAMP parameter at the TACL prompt on the primary system:

```
>RDFCOM; INITIALIZE RDF, BACKUPSYSTEM \BOSTON, SUFFIX A
```

When you begin an RDFCOM session on a system in which RDF has never been previously initialized (such as \PRIMSYS, for example), RDFCOM responds with the following prompt:

```
***Warning*** The control subvolume PRIMSYS is not presently
***Warning*** configured for an RDF primary system.
```

You must use the OPEN command to open an RDF CONFIG file in an existing RDF control subvolume, or you must initialize a new RDF configuration with the INITIALIZE RDF command.

To continue with the session, you must either enter an INITIALIZE RDF command, or use the OPEN command as directed in Chapter 8 (page 187).

Initializing RDF Without Stopping TMF (Using INITTIME Option)

The INITIALIZE RDF command includes a parameter, INITTIME *inittime*, that you can use to initialize the RDF product without stopping TMF or your applications.

There are two cases where you would typically use this capability:

- If you want to install a new version of the RDF product and you cannot afford to stop TMF even momentarily to get a TMF shutdown timestamp.
- If you are running RDF and encounter a problem for which you would like to reinitialize RDF without having to resynchronize your databases.

Determining a Valid *inittime* Value

When using the INITTIME parameter without the NOW clause, it is important that you specify a valid *inittime* value.

To do so, first issue a STATUS RDF command and take note of the highest updater RTD time. Then round that RTD time up to the next higher minute (0:43 becomes 1:00, 1:27 becomes 2:00, 3:04 becomes 4:00, and so forth). Finally, subtract that rounded-up time from the current system time shown in the status display.

$inittime := (\text{current-system-time} - \text{rounded-highest-updater-RTD-time})$

RDFCOM then subtracts an additional three minutes from the specified timestamp. This is to ensure that the extractor's starting position is at a point in the MAT where RDF had previously sent audit records to the backup system and the updaters had applied it to the backup database. This practice guarantees that no audit record is lost during initialization.

When you include the INITTIME parameter in the INITIALIZE RDF command, RDFCOM initiates a backward scan of the MAT searching for the first commit or abort record whose timestamp is less than the specified *inittime*. When RDF is subsequently restarted, some of the audit records will be reapplied to the backup database. This does not cause any inconsistencies between the primary and backup databases, but rather ensures that they stay completely synchronized with one another.



CAUTION: The NOW clause of the INITTIME parameter causes RDF to be initialized at the current date and time. The NOW value should **only** be used in a situation where you have configured a reverse trigger and the INITIALIZE RDF command is used for reversing the direction of RDF. For more information see “Example” (page 236).

Special Considerations

When using this form of the INITIALIZE RDF command with a timestamp specified with INITTIME, there are three special cases that you might encounter.

Enscribe Create Records

If the previous version of RDF performed an Enscribe create operation on the backup system prior to execution of the INITIALIZE RDF command and the extractor's restart position in the audit trail precedes the location of the Enscribe create record that an updater previously applied, then, when you restart RDF and the updater tries to apply the create record, it will report a File System error 10 (File Already Exists) and you must purge the existing file. The updater will continue to report the error until you have purged the file.

Stop-RDF-Updater Records

Stop-RDF-Updater records in the master audit trail (MAT) are associated with committed NonStop SQL DDL operations performed on the primary system with the SHARED ACCESS parameter. Although such operations can be performed on the primary system without stopping your applications, they must be performed manually on the backup system after all updaters have shut down in response to the same Stop-RDF-Updater record.

As a general rule, you should not initialize RDF to an *inittime* if you recently performed a NonStop SQL/MP or NonStop SQL/MX operation with SHARED ACCESS on the primary system. For example, suppose you have a NonStop SQL/MP or NonStop SQL/MX table (*tableA*) that contains the range of keys A through Z and you just moved its partition boundary such that *tableA* now contains only the keys A through M and a new table (*tableB*) contains the keys N through Z. Suppose also that you performed this operation manually on the backup system.

If you then initialize RDF to a point in the MAT prior to the Stop-RDF-Updater record associated with the partition boundary change and an updater encounters audit records associated a key N through Z, the updater will report an error because it will try to apply the audit record to

tableA (which used to contain it, but now does not), and the audit record will not be applied to the backup database. In this particular case, the database is not corrupted, but data corruption could happen for other NonStop SQL/MP or NonStop SQL/MX DDL SHARED ACCESS operations.

If you did recently perform a NonStop SQL/MP or NonStop SQL/MX operation with SHARED ACCESS on the primary system and you want to initialize RDF to a *inittime*, you should wait before issuing the command until you can specify an *inittime* that includes the three minutes added by RDFCOM so that the starting position in the MAT is after the Stop-RDF-Updater record.

As a precaution, if RDFCOM encounters a Stop-RDF-Updater record during its backward search of the MAT, it issues a warning message asking if you want to proceed with initialization. If you continue the operation, the updaters will shut down when they encounter the Stop-RDF-Updater record, at which time you should try to perform the NonStop SQL/MP DDL operation manually again on the backup system.

TMF Shutdown Records

TMF shutdown records in the MAT do not cause a problem, except that if RDF is initialized to a point in the MAT prior to a TMF shutdown record, then once you have started RDF it will shutdown as soon as it reaches that TMF Shutdown record. All you need to do then is restart RDF.

Online Installation and Initialization Without Stopping RDF

For the procedure described in “Initializing RDF Without Stopping TMF (Using INITTIME Option)” (page 80), you are required to stop RDF, delete the control subvolumes, reinitialize RDF, and then restart RDF. Although unlikely, stopping RDF does leave you briefly vulnerable to inconsistent data on the backup system if your primary system should fail after you stop RDF and delete the previous RDF control files, but before you restart RDF.

By using the procedure that follows, you can install and initialize the RDF product without stopping RDF, TMF, or your applications.

The procedure is best described by example. Assume that you are running RDF from \RDF04 to \RDF06, and that your control subvolume is RDF04.

1. For your current RDF subsystem (RDF04->RDF06), issue an RDFCOM STATUS RDF command on the primary system.
2. Notice the general timestamp and the RTD times (11AUG2008 05:26).

```
RDFCOM - T0346H09 - 11AUG08
C)2008 Hewlett-Packard Development Company, L.P.
```

```
Status of \RDF04 -> \RDF06 RDF 2008/08/11 05:26:49.082
```

```
Control Subvol: $SYSTEM.RDF04
```

```
Current State : Normal
```

RDF Process	Name	RTD Time	Pri	Volume	Seqnce	Rel	Byte	Addr	Cpus	Err
Monitor	\$RMON		185	\$AUDMAT	56				1: 2	
Extractor (0)	\$REXT0	0:00	185	\$AUDMAT	56		928000		1: 2	
Receiver (0)	\$RRCV0	0:00	185	\$MIT	12				1: 2	
Imagetrail (0)				\$IMAGE0	3822					
Imagetrail (0)				\$IMAGE1	793					
Imagetrail (0)				\$IMAGE2	1790					
Imagetrail (0)				\$IMAGE3	998					
Purger	\$RPRG		185						1: 2	
\$DATA10 -> \$DATA10	\$RUPD1	1:26	185	\$IMAGE0	3821		1926445		1: 2	
\$DATA11 -> \$DATA11	\$RUPD2	0:02	185	\$IMAGE1	793		811008		2: 3	
\$DATA12 -> \$DATA13	\$RUPD3	0:05	185	\$IMAGE2	1790		1568		3: 0	
\$DATA13 -> \$DATA14	\$RUPD3	0:10	185	\$IMAGE3	998		3 3587		3: 0	

3. If the extractor RTD is greater than 0:00, wait until the extractor reports this value. If the value is 0:00, take the highest updater RTD and round up to the next minute. In this example, the highest updater RTD rounded up to the next minute is 2:00.

4. Subtract this value from the general timestamp (11AUG2008 05:24).
5. Issue the STOP UPDATE command. This command stops the updaters but allows the extractor and receiver to continue to shipping and storing audit, respectively.
6. Install the new RDF software in a different volume.subvolume from that housing the current version of RDF that is running. For example, if you are upgrading to T0346ABS, you might specify `$system.rdfabs`.
7. Run `$system.rdfabs.RDFCOM` and initialize a new RDF configuration, using:
 - The suffix parameter (such as suffix "a")
 - The INITTIME parameter, using the timestamp calculated in the preceding example (11AUG2008 05:24).

```
Initialize RDF, backupsystem \RDF06, suffix a, inittime 11AUG2008 05:24
```
8. If you do not already have a copy of the configuration script used for the current version of RDF, you can get it by starting the RDFCOM for that RDF subsystem and using the INFO *, OBEYFORM command.
9. Use the same script to configure your new RDF subsystem, but you will need to change the following:
 - a. Set SOFTWARELOC to `$system.rdfaav`
 - b. Set the extractor name(s) to a different name(s)
 - c. Set the monitor name to a different name
 - d. Set the receiver name(s) to different name(s)
10. Now start your new RDF subsystem:


```
] run $system.rdfaav.rdfcom rdf04a
] start RDF, update off
```

You now have parallel sets of extractors shipping audit to parallel sets of receivers for the two operating RDF subsystems, although each subsystem has its own control subvolumes and its own imagetrail subvolumes.

11. When the extractor(s) for RDF04A have caught up, do the following:
 - a. Issue a STOP RDF command for the previous RDF subsystem.
 - b. Issue an UNPINAUDIT command for the previous subsystem.
 - c. Issue a START UPDATE command for the RDF04A subsystem. Wait until all updaters have caught up.
 - d. Purge the previous control subvolumes on the primary and backup, as well as the imagetrails for the previous subsystem.

You have now installed and started new RDF software without jeopardizing disaster-recovery protection by having to stop RDF.

Disaster Points

If the primary system fails between steps 1 and 10, you perform the takeover operation using your previous RDF subsystem. If the primary system fails at or after step 11, you perform the takeover operation using the new subsystem (RDF04A).

Considerations

This method does not work with long-running transactions. You must not have any long-running transactions in the system when you start Step 1, above. If you have long-running transactions, you must stop them and wait until they clear the TMF subsystem before you start Step 1.

If you are running with RDF process lockstep, you should change the RDF gateway startup script to reference the new extractor name before executing Step 11. Then stop the gateway manually. This action will restart the gateway, and the gateway will access the new extractor.

For RDF network environments, you should subtract an additional 15 minutes from the timestamp you calculated in Step 4.

Configuring RDF

For RDF to operate correctly, you must establish values for the following sets of attributes in the RDF configuration file:

- Global attributes that apply across RDF
- Attributes that apply to image trails
- Attributes that apply to triggers
- Network configuration record attributes
- Process attributes that apply to the individual RDFNET, monitor, extractor, receiver, purger, and updater processes

In addition to the configuration file on disk, RDFCOM maintains a copy in memory. To configure RDF, first use RDFCOM SET commands to establish the values you want in the **configuration memory table**, and then use ADD command to apply those values to the **configuration file**. You do this for each process individually; do all of the SETs for a process, and then add the particular object. Notice that the only purpose of the configuration memory table is to serve as a temporary repository of configuration attributes for the SET command.

Initially, some of the configuration attributes in the memory table are set to their default values. You use SET commands only for those attributes that you want to change from the default value.

Before issuing the ADD command, you can verify the current attributes in the memory table by issuing SHOW commands.

After issuing the ADD commands (but before starting RDF), you can change some attribute values in the configuration file by issuing ALTER commands.



NOTE: Instead of issuing SET and ADD commands interactively within an RDFCOM session, you can create and execute an RDF configuration command file. The first time you configure RDF, you can either configure it interactively or use the text editor to create a command file. After you have configured RDF, you can easily create a command file from the existing configuration file as explained in “Creating a Configuration Command File” (page 96). You can then use that command file whenever you need to reconfigure RDF. See Appendix B (page 359) for a sample configuration file.

Setting Global Attributes

The SET RDF command establishes values for global attributes that apply either to the entire RDF system or to all updater processes. These attributes and their default values are:

• LOGFILE	\$0
• UPDATERDELAY	10 (seconds)
• UPDATERTXTIME	60 (seconds)
• UPDATERRTDWARNING	60 (seconds)
• UPDATEROPEN	PROTECTED
• SOFTWARELOC	\$SYSTEM.RDF
• NETWORK	OFF
• NETWORKMASTER	OFF
• UPDATEREXCEPTION	ON
• LOCKSTEPVOL	volume undefined
• REPLICATEPURGE	OFF
• REMOTE MIRROR	OFF
• REMOTE STANDBY	system undefined
• OWNER	(no default)

LOGFILE Attribute

The LOGFILE attribute specifies the name of the EMS collector to which all RDF command, event, error, and warning messages are to be directed.

The following commands specify the EMS collector \$CTD25 as the RDF log file on both the primary and backup systems:

```
]SET RDF LOGFILE $CTD25
]ADD RDF
```

The collector on the primary system receives log messages from the extractor and monitor processes (plus RDFCOM messages that are logged in message 835).

The collector on the backup system receives log messages from the receiver, purger, and all updater processes (plus RDFCOM messages that are logged in message 835).

UPDATERDELAY Attribute

The UPDATERDELAY attribute specifies how many seconds (from 1 to 10) the updater processes should delay upon reaching the logical EOF in the image trail before checking to see if logical EOF has advanced. The default is 10 seconds.

This attribute should be left at the default value unless you have a very specific reason for lowering it; lowering the UPDATERDELAY value could adversely impact updater performance.

UPDATERTXTIME Attribute

The UPDATERTXTIME attribute specifies the maximum transaction duration in seconds (from 10 to 300) for all updater processes. The default is 60 seconds.

RDF updaters operate in transaction mode. Updater transactions are essentially long-running transactions that pin audit trail files on the backup system and can affect the duration of backout operations if an updater transaction aborts for any reason.

The default value is recommended for RDF environments with heavy updater activity (aggregate updater throughput greater than 300 kb/second). Raising the *tx-time* in such environments might adversely affect TMF performance on the backup system.

In RDF environments with low to moderate updater activity and where no other transaction activity is occurring on the backup system, you could raise the *tx-time* without affecting TMF performance on the backup system.

The goal of the UPDATERTXTIME is to allow each updater to do as much work as possible in a single transaction, but not so much work that it would take a long time to undo the transaction, if that transaction should abort. For this reason the default value of 60 seconds is generally an optimal value.

UPDATERRTDWARNING Attribute

The UPDATERRTDWARNING attribute specifies the RTD warning threshold (in seconds, 0 or greater) for all configured updaters. The default is 60 seconds.

This threshold is used by the STATUS RTDWARNING command to determine which updaters, if any, are to be included in its display. The display includes the monitor process and only those RDF processes (extractor or updaters) whose RTD exceeds their configured RTD warning threshold.

UPDATEROPEN Attribute

The UPDATEROPEN attribute specifies the access mode (PROTECTED, PROTECTED OPEN, or SHARED) that updaters use when opening database files. The default is PROTECTED.

PROTECTED mode is strongly recommended at all times to protect your backup database from improper write activity by processes other than an RDF updater. PROTECTED mode also allows user applications to open backup database files for read access but not for write access while the updater process has the file open. PROTECTED mode, however, is incompatible with taking online dumps and RELOAD operations. Therefore, if you want to perform one of these two operations, you need to change UPDATEROPEN from PROTECTED to SHARED. When you have finished the operation, you should set UPDATEROPEN back to PROTECTED. Previously you had to stop the updaters before you could change the UPDATEROPEN mode. You can now do this online, without stopping the updaters.

PROTECTED OPEN is a special variation of PROTECTED. If you have PROTECTED set, it is possible for the updater to close a file if that file has had no update activity for five or more minutes. If a rogue user application then opens the file for write access, it is able to write to the backup database files. If the updater then wants to apply audit from the primary system to that file, the updater will encounter an error 2 on its REDO operations, and the file will no longer be in synchronization with the corresponding file on the primary system. The PROTECTED OPEN mode means that once the updater has opened the file, it will not close the file even if it encounters a period of idle activity against the file.

SOFTWARELOC Attribute

The SOFTWARELOC attribute specifies where the RDF software is installed on both the primary and backup systems. The default is \$SYSTEM.RDF.

NETWORK Attribute

The NETWORK attribute specifies whether or not you are configuring an RDF network.

When set to OFF (the default value), an RDF takeover operation provides local database consistency, but it cannot provide transaction consistency for network transactions that involved several RDF backup databases.

When set to ON, the RDF subsystem provides database consistency for network transactions that were replicated to other backup databases by other RDF subsystems.

When set to ON, you must either have the NETWORKMASTER attribute for the same system also set to ON or have another system configured as the network master.

NETWORKMASTER Attribute

The NETWORKMASTER attribute specifies whether the particular system is the master of the RDF network.

When set to OFF (the default value), the particular system is not the network master.

When set to ON, the particular system is the network master of the RDF network and this RDF system coordinates takeover operations across all the RDF subsystems that make up the RDF network. When this attribute is set to ON, the NETWORK attribute must also be set to ON.

UPDATEREXCEPTION Attribute

The UPDATEREXCEPTION attribute specifies the manner in which exception files are used.

When set to ON (the default value), the updaters log an exception record for each and every audit record they must undo during a takeover.

When set to OFF, the updaters log exception records only for the first and last audit records that must be undone (the minimum logging necessary to support Triple Contingency operation).

LOCKSTEPVOL Attribute

The LOCKSTEPVOL attribute specifies the primary system disk volume on which the RDF lockstep file (*control-subvolume.ZRDFLKSP*) is to be located. The specified volume must be configured to the Master Audit Trail (MAT), and either the entire volume or at least the lockstep file must be protected by the RDF subsystem. For information about the RDF lockstep capability, see Chapter 15 (page 309).

REPLICATEPURGE Attribute

The REPLICATEPURGE attribute specifies whether Enscribe purge operations on the primary system are to be replicated on the backup system.

When set to OFF (the default value), Enscribe purge operations are not replicated. You should use the default (OFF) for all RDF configurations unless you have a specific need for replicating Enscribe purge operations.

If you configure the RDF subsystem to replicate network transactions, you should not replicate Enscribe purge operations because doing so might result in unexpected errors during the updater network undo processing.

When set to ON, all Enscribe operations on RDF-replicated files are replicated on the backup system. If you want specific Enscribe files purged, then you must also configure INCLUDEPURGE and/or EXCLUDEPURGE clauses for each affected updater (see “Updater Processes”).

REMOTE MIRROR Attribute

The REMOTE MIRROR attribute specifies whether ZLT is enabled or disabled. The default is off. For information about the ZLT capability, see Chapter 17 (page 337).

REMOTE STANDBY Attribute

The REMOTE STANDBY attribute specifies the system name of the ZLT standby system. *node-name* must be a valid name and must identify a system in your current Expand network. The default is the name of the backup system. For information about the ZLT capability, see Chapter 17 (page 337).

OWNER Attribute

The OWNER attribute specifies a userid under which all RDF processes will always run. This global configuration parameter provides functionality whereby any super-user group userid can start and stop RDF.

To illustrate this functionality, imagine ten users are responsible for managing a particular RDF configuration and that SUPER.RDF is configured as the OWNER. Instead of providing all ten users access to the SUPER.RDF userid, each individual user can be assigned a separate super-user group userid. If one user is assigned SUPER.FIRST and another SUPER.SECOND, for example, they can both log on with their userid and be able to start or stop RDF. The RDF processes do not run under SUPER.FIRST or SUPER.SECOND, however, but under SUPER.RDF (the RDF OWNER assigned during configuration). The same principal applies to the other eight users.

The userid associated with OWNER must be a valid Guardian userid and must identify an existing user account on the RDF primary and backup systems. The OWNER must also be a member of the super-user group, since that is an existing requirement in RDF for stopping and starting RDF.

OWNER is an unalterable value. There is no need to change the value, unless you configured it incorrectly (in which case you must reinitialize RDF with the correct value).

If the OWNER attribute is omitted, only the userid that initializes RDF can start or stop RDF (as is true for all versions of RDF prior to 1.7).

Setting Image Trail Attributes

Use SET IMAGETRAIL and ADD IMAGETRAIL commands to configure the following image trail attribute:

- ATINDEX

The ATINDEX attribute associates an image trail with a specific audit trail on the primary system.

The RECEIVER RDFVOLUME attribute specifies the disk volume that contains the receiver's master image trail. The receiver process writes all commit/abort records to this volume. All updaters must be configured to secondary image trails.

To create secondary image trails, use the ADD IMAGETRAIL command. Later, when you configure your individual updater processes, you assign each of these processes to a specific image trail. By spreading updaters across secondary image trails, you reduce the number of updaters contending for a specific trail. ATINDEX specifies which receiver will write to that trail; 0 is the default.

Each secondary image trail contains the audit records needed by the associated updater processes. Image trail files in secondary image trails have the same extent sizes as image trail files on the volume specified by RDFVOLUME.



NOTE: To have secondary image trails, you must add them after initialization and before RDF has been started for the first time. Also you cannot add secondary image trails until you have configured the receiver, as described in the previous paragraphs. The secondary image trail files have the same extents as the master image trail files. To delete a secondary image trail, you must stop RDF, delete any updaters associated with the particular trail, and then delete the trail. Normally, you should never delete a secondary image trail until RDF has completely caught up with TMF.

To add one secondary image trail to the volume named \$IMAGA1 and another to the volume named \$IMAGA2, issue the following commands:

```
] SET IMAGETRAIL ATINDEX 0
] ADD IMAGETRAIL $IMAGA1
] SET IMAGETRAIL ATINDEX 1
] ADD IMAGETRAIL $IMAGA2
```

Dedicated Image Trails or Image Trails on UpdateVolumes

The master image trail (MIT) should always be placed on an image trail not used by any updaters. For secondary image trails, however, you have two options. If your peak time audit generation rates for RDF-protected data on a given audit trail are generally in the range of 1 to 3 megabytes of audit per second, the number of updaters you need does not exceed 30, and you normally run with Update ON, you may be able to configure one image trail per updater and place that imagetrail on that updater's UPDATEVOLUME. You should have sufficient disk space to hold both your database files as well as the image trail. When determining if you have sufficient disk space on the UPDATEVOLUME, you should consider size of individual image trail files and the configured value of the purger's RETAINCOUNT, and you should consider worst-case situations where an updater might fall way behind, in which case there might be a large number of image files on that UPDATEVOLUME.

Alternatively, you may find that you can configure a small number of dedicated image trails and configure a large number of updaters to each dedicated trail provided that the volume of audit being written to the trail is generally less than 5 megabytes per second. For high volume throughput where the volume of RDF-protected data in an audit trail exceeds 5 megabytes per second, for optimal extractor-to-receiver throughput as well as for optimal updater throughput, it is recommended that you always use dedicated image trails and that you configure no more than 3 or 4 updaters per image trail.

As you can see from this discussion, there are many combinations one can achieve, depending on the volume of audit being generated per datavol on the primary system and the number of updaters you configure to an image trail. The recommendations provided above are no more than general recommendations. Each customer's environment differs. When you are ready to configure your image trails, you need to consider carefully the different considerations raised above.

Setting Trigger Attributes

RDF offers two types of triggers, where a trigger is typically a user-generated script of operations that are automatically executed upon the completion of a specific event. The two types of triggers are the REVERSE trigger and the TAKEOVER trigger. The REVERSE trigger is executed by RDF only for a STOP RDF, REVERSE operation, and it is executed immediately after RDF stops. The TAKEOVER trigger is executed immediately upon the successful completion of an RDF takeover operation.

Use SET TRIGGER and ADD TRIGGER commands to configure the following trigger attributes:

- PROGRAM
- INFILE
- OUTFILE

- CPUS
- PRIORITY
- WAIT or NOWAIT

The PROGRAM parameter specifies the name of a Guardian object file that is executed once RDF has reached a particular state, either after a STOP RDF, REVERSE, or TAKEOVER operation.

The INFILE attribute specifies the name of an edit file that will be passed as the IN file to the trigger process when it is created.

The OUTFILE attribute specifies the name of a file or process that will be passed as the OUT file to the trigger process when it is created.

The CPUS attribute specifies the number of the primary and alternate CPUs in which the trigger process is to run.

The PRIORITY attribute specifies the priority at which the trigger process will run.

WAIT causes RDF to wait for the trigger process to terminate before shutting down. NOWAIT specifies that once the trigger process is launched, RDF can immediately proceed to shut down.

For further details on how you might use these triggers, see the sections on switchover and takeover in Chapter 6 (page 157).

Setting Network Configuration Record Attributes

Use SET NETWORK and ADD NETWORK commands to configure the following network configuration record attributes:

- PRIMARYSYSTEM *system-name*
- BACKUPSYSTEM *system-name*
- REMOTECONTROLSUBVOL *subvolume-name*
- PNETTXVOLUME *volume-name*

If you are configuring the network master RDF subsystem, you must include a network configuration record for every RDF subsystem in the RDF network (including the network master itself). Each of those records must include the following parameters:

PRIMARYSYSTEM <i>system-name</i>	Name of the primary system.
BACKUPSYSTEM <i>system-name</i>	Name of the associated backup system.
REMOTECONTROLSUBVOL <i>subvolume-name</i>	Name of the primary system's remote control subvolume.
PNETTXVOLUME <i>volume-name</i>	Name of the primary system volume on which the RDF subsystem stores an audited network synchronization file.

If you are configuring a non network master RDF subsystem, you must include a single network configuration record containing the following attributes:

PRIMARYSYSTEM <i>system-name</i>	Name of the network master's primary system.
BACKUPSYSTEM <i>system-name</i>	Name of the network master's backup system.
REMOTECONTROLSUBVOL <i>subvolume-name</i>	Name of the network master's remote control subvolume.

Thus, within its configuration file, the network master has all necessary information about every system in the RDF network (whereas the other systems have only a pointer enabling them to obtain information about other systems in the network).

PRIMARYSYSTEM Attribute

The PRIMARYSYSTEM attribute specifies the name of a primary system. There is no default value. Each primary system within an RDF network must be unique within the network. An

RDF network cannot contain two or more RDF subsystems with the same primary system (that is, it cannot contain RDF subsystems for \A to \B and \A to \C).

BACKUPSYSTEM Attribute

The BACKUPSYSTEM attribute specifies the name of the backup system associated with the specified primary system. There is no default value.

REMOTECONTROLSUBVOL Attribute

The REMOTECONTROLSUBVOL attribute specifies the name of the control subvolume used by the RDF subsystem configured for the specified primary and backup systems. There is no default value.

PNETTXVOLUME Attribute

The PNETTXVOLUME attribute specifies the name of the volume on the particular primary system where the RDF network master stores an audited network-synchronization file. The specified volume must be a data volume protected by the RDF subsystem on the primary system and be configured to the MAT.

You only use this attribute when configuring the network master. On the master you must include this parameter within every network configuration record (including the one for the master itself).

Setting Individual Process Attributes

Having set the global attributes, you are now ready to set the parameters that apply to individual RDF processes: the RDFNET, monitor, extractor, receiver, purger, and updater processes.

RDFNET Process

Use SET RDFNET and ADD RDFNET commands to configure the following RDFNET attributes:

- CPUS *primary-CPU: backup-CPU*
- PRIORITY
- PROCESS

The CPUS attribute specifies the processors in the primary system in which the RDFNET process will run.

The PRIORITY attribute specifies the priority at which the RDFNET process will run. You should set the RDFNET process' priority slightly lower than that of the RDF monitor process.

The PROCESS attribute supplies a name for the RDFNET process. You should specify a meaningful mnemonic such as \$RNET. The process name can be any unique valid process name up to six characters, including the \$ symbol. However, you cannot specify HP reserved process names that are of the form \$X*, \$Y*, or \$Z*, in which * is any alphanumeric string.

Monitor Process

Use SET MONITOR and ADD MONITOR commands to configure the following monitor parameters:

- CPUS *primary-CPU: backup-CPU*
- PRIORITY
- PROCESS

The CPUS attribute in the following form specifies the primary and backup processors in which the monitor will run:

CPUS *primary-CPU: backup-CPU*

If the primary processor is not available when RDF is started, the monitor executes in the specified backup processor without benefit of a backup process. When the primary processor is brought

back online, the monitor creates its own backup process in the primary processor and then switches control to that monitor process.

The **PRIORITY** attribute specifies the priority at which the monitor will run. You should set the monitor's priority higher than that of any application's process.

The **PROCESS** attribute supplies a name for the monitor process. You should specify a meaningful mnemonic such as \$AMON or \$MON1. The process name can be any unique valid process name up to six characters, including the \$ symbol. However, you cannot specify NonStop SQL/MP reserved process names that are of the form \$X*, \$Y*, or \$Z*, in which * is any alphanumeric string.

To configure an RDF monitor process named \$MON1 to execute as a process pair in CPUs 4 and 6 of the primary system at a priority of 186, issue the following commands:

```
]SET MONITOR PROCESS $MON1
]SET MONITOR CPUS 4:6
]SET MONITOR PRIORITY 186
]ADD MONITOR
```

You can issue **ADD MONITOR** commands only when RDF is stopped.

Extractor Process

Use **SET EXTRACTOR** and **ADD EXTRACTOR** commands to configure the following extractor parameters:

- **ATINDEX**
- **CPUS** *primary-CPU: backup-CPU*
- **PRIORITY**
- **PROCESS**
- **RTDWARNING**
- **VOLUME**

The **ATINDEX** attribute specifies an integer value from 0 through 15 specifying the TMF audit trail on the primary system with which the extractor is associated. 0 specifies the MAT. 1 through 15 specify auxiliary audit trails AUX01 through AUX15. The default is 0. If you omit this attribute, RDFCOM assumes the extractor is associated with the MAT. For information about protecting auxiliary audit trails, see [Chapter 13 \(page 291\)](#).

The **CPUS** attribute specifies the processors in the primary system in which the extractor will run.

The **PRIORITY** attribute specifies the priority at which the extractor will run. You should set the extractor's priority slightly lower than that of the RDF monitor process.

The **PROCESS** attribute supplies a name for the extractor process. You should specify a meaningful mnemonic such as \$EXT. The process name can be any unique valid process name up to six characters, including the \$ symbol. However, you cannot specify HP reserved process names that are of the form \$X*, \$Y*, or \$Z*, in which * is any alphanumeric string.

The **RTDWARNING** attribute specifies the RTD warning threshold (in seconds, 0 or greater) for the extractor. This threshold is used by the **STATUS RTDWARNING** command to determine if the extractor is to be included in its display. The display includes the monitor process and only those RDF processes (extractor or updaters) whose RTD exceeds their configured RTD warning threshold.

The **VOLUME** attribute specifies a valid volume name in the current TMF configuration on your primary system. When configuring RDF for ZLT, you must add the complete set of audit trail volumes to which protected data volumes are configured. You use a **SET EXTRACTOR VOLUME** statement for each individual volume. You do not need to specify whether the volume is an active volume, restore volume, or overflow volume; you merely specify the volume name. For information about the ZLT capability, see [Chapter 17 \(page 337\)](#).

To configure an RDF extractor process named \$EXT to run as a process pair in CPUs 5 and 3 of the primary system, at a priority of 185, with an RTD warning threshold of 360 seconds, issue the following commands:

```
]SET EXTRACTOR ATINDEX 0
]SET EXTRACTOR PROCESS $EXT
]SET EXTRACTOR CPUS 5:3
]SET EXTRACTOR PRIORITY 185
]SET EXTRACTOR RTDWARNING 60
]ADD EXTRACTOR
```

You can issue ADD EXTRACTOR commands only when RDF is stopped.

Receiver Process

Use SET RECEIVER and ADD RECEIVER commands to configure the following receiver attributes:

- ATINDEX
- CPUS *primary-CPU: backup-CPU*
- PRIORITY
- PROCESS
- RDFVOLUME
- EXTENTS
- FASTUPDATEMODE

The ATINDEX attribute specifies an integer value identifying a configured TMF audit trail on the primary system. 0 specifies the MAT. 1 through 15 specify auxiliary audit trails AUX01 through AUX15. The default is 0. For each configured extractor, there must be a corresponding receiver with the same ATINDEX value. For information about protecting auxiliary audit trails, see [Chapter 13 \(page 291\)](#).

The CPUS attribute specifies the processors in the backup system in which the receiver is to run.

The PRIORITY attribute specifies the priority at which the receiver will run. You should set the receiver's priority higher than that of any application's process and higher than that of any RDF updater process.

The PROCESS attribute supplies a name for the receiver process. You should specify a meaningful mnemonic such as \$RECV. The process name can be any unique valid process name up to 5 characters, including the \$ symbol. However, you cannot specify HP reserved process names that are of the form \$X*, \$Y*, or \$Z*, in which * is any alphanumeric string.

The RDFVOLUME attribute applies only to the master receiver. It specifies which volume on the backup system will contain the receiver's master image trail. The file naming convention for image trail files is *\$volume.control-subvolume.AAnnnnnn*, where *n* is a digit. For example, the first image file is named *\$volume.control-subvolume.AA000001*. You cannot specify the subvolume name because that name is controlled by RDF.

The EXTENTS attribute only applies to the master receiver. It specifies the size of the primary and secondary extents for **all** image trail files on **all** image trails.

The FASTUPDATEMODE value controls the frequency with which the receiver writes to the image trails and makes image trail data available to the updaters. With FASTUPDATEMODE OFF, the receiver buffers the audit sent by the extractor and writes those buffers out to the image trails at the most convenient time. This ensures that RDF can achieve the highest possible extractor-to-receiver throughput, but it does delay the updaters in how quickly they are allowed to read and apply the audit to the backup database. One can typically observe updater RTD times in the range of 1-20 seconds, although it may only take an updater a fraction of one second to apply 20 seconds worth of audit.

With FASTUPDATEMODE ON, as a receiver receives an extractor message, it buffers all the audit sent in that message by the extractor, writes those buffers immediately to the image trails, and then makes that data immediately available to the updaters. Depending on the value of the

UPDATERDELAY attribute in the global RDF configuration record, the updaters can then read the image trails and apply the freshly written audit to the backup database immediately, thereby keeping updater RTD times to the lowest possible value. Because the receiver writes the audit immediately to the image trails after processing each extractor message, having FASTUPDATERMODE set ON can impact extractor-to-receiver throughput.

For a complete discussion of FASTUPDATERMODE, see the description involving the SET RECEIVER command in [Chapter 8 \(page 187\)](#).

To configure an RDF receiver process named \$RECV to run as a process pair in CPUs 0 and 2 of the backup system at a priority of 185 with FASTUPDATERMODE off, and to have the RDF image trail file (with a primary extent size of 3000 pages and a secondary extent size of 3000 pages) reside on the volume \$IMAGE, issue the following commands:

```
]SET RECEIVER ATINDEX 0
]SET RECEIVER PROCESS $RECV
]SET RECEIVER CPUS 0:2
]SET RECEIVER PRIORITY 185
]SET RECEIVER RDFVOLUME $IMAGE
]SET RECEIVER EXTENTS (3000,3000)
]ADD RECEIVER
```

You cannot start RDF until you have configured a master receiver process.

You can issue ADD RECEIVER commands only when RDF is stopped.

Purger Process

Use SET PURGER and ADD PURGER commands to configure the following purger attributes:

- CPUS *primary-CPU: backup-CPU*
- PRIORITY
- PROCESS
- RETAINCOUNT
- PURGETIME

The CPUS attribute specifies the processors in the backup system in which the purger is to run.

The PRIORITY attribute specifies the priority at which the purger will run. You should set the purger's priority higher than that of any application's process and higher than that of any RDF updater process.

The PROCESS attribute supplies a name for the purger process. You should specify a meaningful mnemonic such as \$PURG. The process name can be any unique valid process name up to 5 characters, including the \$ symbol. However, you cannot specify HP reserved process names that are of the form \$X*, \$Y*, or \$Z*, in which * is any alphanumeric string.

The RETAINCOUNT attribute specifies how many of the most recent image trail files will be retained on disk for each image trail. The default value is 2. For details about the RETAINCOUNT attribute and triple contingency, see [Chapter 10 \(page 271\)](#).

The PURGETIME attribute specifies the number of minutes the purger process waits between attempts to purge redundant image trail files. The default value is 60.

To configure an RDF purger process named \$PURG to run as a process pair in CPUs 0 and 2 of the backup system at a priority of 185, and to ensure that at least six image trail files are always retained on disk, issue the following commands:

```
]SET PURGER PROCESS $PURG
]SET PURGER CPUS 0:2
]SET PURGER PRIORITY 185
]SET PURGER RETAINCOUNT 6
]SET PURGER PURGETIME 30
]ADD PURGER
```

You cannot start RDF until you have configured a purger process.

You can issue ADD PURGER commands only when RDF is stopped.

Updater Processes

Use SET VOLUME and ADD VOLUME commands to configure the following updater attributes:

- ATINDEX
- CPUS *primary-CPU: backup-CPU*
- PRIORITY
- PROCESS
- IMAGEVOLUME
- UPDATEVOLUME
- INCLUDE
- EXCLUDE
- EXCLUDEPURGE
- INCLUDEPURGE

You must configure an updater process for each primary system volume to be protected by RDF.

The ATINDEX attribute specifies an integer value from 0 through 15 specifying the audit trail on the primary system to which the data volume being protected is mapped. 0 specifies the MAT. 1 through 15 specifies auxiliary audit trails AUX01 through AUX15, respectively. The default is 0.

The CPUS attribute specifies the processors in the backup system in which the updater will run.

The PRIORITY attribute specifies the priority at which the updater will run. You should set the updater's priority higher than that of any application's process but less than the priority of the RDF receiver process.

The PROCESS attribute supplies a name for the updater process. You should specify a meaningful mnemonic such as \$UP01. The process name can be any unique valid process name up to 5 characters, including the \$ symbol. However, you cannot specify HP reserved process names that are of the form \$X*, \$Y*, or \$Z*, in which * is any alphanumeric string.

The IMAGEVOLUME attribute associates this updater process with a specific image trail you have previously added to the RDF configuration. You cannot add this updater process, associating it to an image volume, unless you have already added the image trail with the ADD IMAGETRAIL command. Also, the ATINDEX of this updater must match the ATINDEX of the associated image trail.

The UPDATEVOLUME attribute specifies the name of the disk volume on the backup system that corresponds to a particular volume on the primary system. This attribute enables you to use different volume names on the backup system than are being used on the primary system, if you so desire.

The following guidelines are strongly recommended:

- There should be an identical one-to-one volume relationship between volumes on the primary system and those on the backup system.
- Each backup volume should have the same name as the associated primary volume.

If the backup volume names are not identical to the corresponding primary volume names, then you will have to update every partitioned file and every file that has alternate keys on the backup system so that each points to the correct volume name.

You can use INCLUDE and EXCLUDE lists to specify which files are to be, or are not to be, protected by RDF. For a description of INCLUDE and EXCLUDE lists, see [Chapter 11 \(page 279\)](#).

If you want Enscribe purge operations replicated, but you want to be selective and have some purges replicated and others not, then you use INCLUDEPURGE and EXCLUDEPURGE to specify what purges you want replicated. Please note that you must also have the RDF REPLICATEPURGE attribute set to ON. For more details, see [Chapter 11 \(page 279\)](#).

The following RDFCOM commands configure an updater named \$UP01 to run as a process pair in CPUs 2 and 4 at a priority of 180. The updater will be associated with an secondary image trail on the volume \$IMAGA1. The name of the backup volume and the primary volume being protected is \$DATA01.

```
]SET VOLUME ATINDEX 0
]SET VOLUME PROCESS $UP01
]SET VOLUME CPUS 2:4
]SET VOLUME IMAGEVOLUME $IMAGA1
]SET VOLUME PRIORITY 180
]SET VOLUME UPDATEVOLUME $DATA01
]ADD VOLUME $DATA01
```

The mapping between the configured updater process and a particular primary volume is accomplished by the ADD VOLUME command.

You can issue ADD VOLUME commands only when RDF is stopped.

You must configure all updaters to use secondary image trails, thereby leaving the RDFVOLUME (master image trail) exclusively for use by the master receiver (at index 0).

Creating a Configuration Command File

You can use the INFO * command with the OBEYFORM attribute to create a configuration command file quickly and easily from an existing RDF configuration:

1. Redirect the output of the RDFCOM session from your terminal to the configuration command file by issuing an appropriate OUT command. For example, to direct subsequent session output to the configuration command file named RDF.INIT, enter the following command:

```
]OUT RDF.INIT
```

2. Issue an INFO * command with the OBEYFORM attribute:

```
]INFO *,OBEYFORM
```

RDFCOM lists the current attributes in the RDF configuration file to RDF.INIT in OBEY command file format.

3. Issue another OUT command to redirect subsequent session output back to your terminal:

```
]OUT
```

For further information about configuration command files, see the example file in [Appendix B](#) (page 359).

Configuration File Compatibility

Before running certain commands, RDFCOM compares its own version against the version of the RDF configuration file to ensure that the configuration file is compatible with the current version of the RDF software. If RDFCOM detects a difference, it prints the following message to the home terminal and aborts the command:

```
RDFCOM version (version1) does not match the config file version (version2)
```

If that happens, you should make sure you are using the correct RDFCOM. If you are using the correct version and you get this message, then you must reinitialize RDF.

If RDFCOM cannot determine the configuration file version, it prints the following message to the home terminal and aborts the command:

```
RDFCOM version (version) does not match the config file version unknown
```

If that happens, you should make sure you are using the correct RDFCOM. If you are using the correct version and you get this message, then you must reinitialize RDF.

Enabling RDF Operations

After you have copied all pertinent database files from the primary system to the backup system, installed the RDF software on both systems, initialized and configured TMF on the primary and all backup systems, and initialized and configured RDF, you can then start the TMF and RDF subsystems. You must start TMF on the primary and all backup systems before you can start RDF.

Starting TMF

To start or restart TMF, issue the TMFCOM command START TMF. If you plan to start the applications being protected by TMF before starting RDF, you can include the DISABLE BEGINTRANS attribute in the START TMF command; this attribute prevents the applications from starting any transactions until you issue the TMFCOM command ENABLE BEGINTRANS. For details about these TMFCOM commands, see the *TMF Reference Manual*.

Starting RDF

There are two ways to start RDF: with updating enabled and with updating disabled. If updating is enabled, the updaters begin updating the backup database immediately. If updating is disabled, they do not (but the extractor and receiver continue to work normally). The default is to start RDF with updating enabled.

To start RDF, issue the RDFCOM command START RDF:

```
] START RDF
```

Notice that to issue this command, you must have an RDFCOM session running on the primary system and meet all of the following requirements:

- You are logged on as a member of the super-user group (or have execution access for an RDFCOM object that has been PROGID'd by the customer).
- You have the same super ID that was used to initialize RDF (or have execution access an RDFCOM object that has been PROGID'd by the customer). You can have a different super ID if the RDF OWNER attribute has been set.
- You have a remote password on the primary system (it is also recommended, but not required, that you have a remote password on the backup system as well).
- The RDF configuration file contains all necessary attributes.
- All updater volumes on the backup system are enabled for transaction processing.

When RDF starts execution, it automatically performs a validation check on the configuration file; if the check succeeds, RDF copies the configuration file `$$SYSTEM.control-subvolume.CONFIG` to the backup system.

If the RDF configuration file does not exist, or if there are any missing or invalid attributes, RDFCOM displays an error message and aborts the start operation.

If you did not start TMF on the backup system, or if you did not add an updater volume to the TMF configuration on the backup system and enable it for transaction processing, the corresponding updater logs an RDF error and terminates immediately. If you started TMF on the backup system and added the updater volume to the TMF configuration but did not enable that volume for transaction processing, the updater issues an error message and then stops.

If TMF BEGINTRANS is disabled, RDF issues an error message.

Unless you explicitly specify otherwise, RDF always starts with updating enabled: all updater processes immediately begin updating their volumes by reading audit images from the RDF image files and applying the appropriate changes to the backup database files.

If you want to start RDF with the updater processes disabled, you should specify the UPDATE OFF attribute in the START RDF command on the primary system:

```
] START RDF, UPDATE OFF
```

If you later want to start the updater processes, you merely issue a START UPDATE command.

Restarting the Applications

As the final step in establishing an RDF environment, if you had shut down your applications previously, you can restart them now.

4 Operating and Monitoring RDF

To operate and monitor RDF, you enter commands through two online utilities: the RDFCOM and RDFSCAN interactive command interpreters. Through these utilities, you initiate communication with RDF, request various RDF operations or information displays, and terminate communication with the subsystem. This chapter, which is intended for system operators, explains how to use these utilities by focusing on the following topics:

- “Running RDFCOM” (page 99), including:
 - Command syntax for starting an RDFCOM session
 - Running RDFCOM interactively, noninteractively, and through a command file
 - Using RDFCOM commands
 - Requesting online help for RDFCOM commands
- “Running RDFSCAN” (page 109), including:
 - Command syntax for starting an RDFSCAN session
 - Using RDFSCAN
 - Using RDFSCAN commands
 - Requesting online help for RDFSCAN commands
- “Performing Routine Operational Tasks” (page 112), including:
 - Displaying configuration attributes and operating statistics with RDFCOM
 - Changing configuration attributes with RDFCOM
 - Reading (monitoring) EMS messages with RDFSCAN

The syntax and functional descriptions of all RDFCOM and RDFSCAN commands appear in Chapter 8 (page 187) and Chapter 9 (page 261), respectively.

For information about responding to error messages, handling failures, and stopping and restarting RDF, see Chapter 5 (page 121). For information about the messages themselves, see Appendix C (page 365).

Running RDFCOM

RDFCOM is an interactive command interpreter through which you begin a session and enter requests to manage, operate, and control RDF. RDFCOM runs under the Guardian user interface (normally the TACL command interpreter) to the NonStop operating system. To initiate communication with RDFCOM, enter the keyword RDFCOM at the current TACL prompt. This begins an RDFCOM session that lets you enter RDFCOM commands interactively, noninteractively, or through a command file, as explained shortly.

Command Syntax for Starting an RDFCOM Session

To enter an RDFCOM session, use the following general command syntax. The specific attributes you enter depend, of course, on the options you desire.

```
RDFCOM [/ [IN command-file ] [,OUT output-file ]/      ]
           [control-subvolume] ; [command  ]
```

RDFCOM

is an implicit RUN command, instructing the TACL command interpreter to run the RDFCOM utility program.

IN *command-file*

specifies a command file from which RDFCOM commands are to be read. RDFCOM reads 132-byte records from the specified file until it encounters either the end-of-file mark or an EXIT command.

If you do not specify the IN option, TACL automatically supplies the name of its current default input file—usually the terminal from which you issued the RDFCOM command.

Typically, it is very useful to have your RDF configuration commands specified in a text file. Then you specify this text file as the IN file. RDFCOM then performs the same configuration each time you use the IN file and this saves you from having to enter all the commands manually, one line at a time.

Vertical bar (|) is the comment character, if you want to include comment lines in the configuration file. For more details see, “Sample Configuration File” (page 360).

OUT *output-file*

specifies a file to which all output (other than prompts for entering RDFCOM commands) is to be written. This file might receive listings requested by INFO, SHOW, and STATUS commands, for example. It might also receive RDFCOM commands generated by the OBEYFORM option of the INFO command.

If you do not specify the OUT option, TACL supplies the name of its current default output destination—usually the terminal from which you issued the RDFCOM command.

If you specify a disk file that does not exist, an EDIT file (file code 101) having the name you specified is automatically created, and RDFCOM output is directed to it. If you specify a disk file that exists, this must be an EDIT file (file code 101); RDFCOM output is appended to that file. If you omit the volume or subvolume portions of the file name specifier, the default is your current volume or subvolume, respectively.

control-subvolume

is the name of the RDF control subvolume on \$SYSTEM on the primary and backup systems, as well as the subvolume on the image trail volumes on the backup system in which the image trail files reside.

The control subvolume name is the same as the name of the primary system without the backslash (and with a one-character suffix appended to it, if you included the suffix in the INITIALIZE RDF command).

If you omit *control-subvolume*, RDFCOM uses the name of the local system as the control subvolume, without the backslash and with no suffix character appended.

command

is an RDFCOM command. If the command is present, RDFCOM executes it and then terminates.



NOTE: You should not specify an IN file as well as a command. If you do, RDFCOM will execute the command and terminate without ever reading the IN file.

If a command is not present and no input file is specified, RDFCOM displays a right bracket (]) as a prompt for you to enter commands interactively.

Using RDFCOM Interactively

When you use RDFCOM interactively, you conduct a continuous online dialog with it through a series of prompts, commands, output displays, and messages.

Starting a Session

To start an interactive RDFCOM session, enter the RDFCOM keyword at your TACL prompt, followed optionally by the name of the RDF control subvolume:

```
>RDFCOM [control-subvolume]
```

For example, to start a session on a primary system named SANFRAN, you would enter the following command (assuming that no suffix character was specified in the INITIALIZE RDF command):

```
>RDFCOM SANFRAN
```

If the suffix character “3” was specified in the INITIALIZE RDF command, then you would enter the following command:

```
>RDFCOM SANFRAN3
```

When RDFCOM starts, it searches the specified *control-subvolume* on \$SYSTEM of the local system for the RDF configuration file to open. In other words, the configuration file that RDFCOM expects to open is:

```
\local-system.$SYSTEM.control-subvolume.CONFIG
```



NOTE: If you invoke RDFCOM from the backup system, you **must** include the name of the control subvolume in the RDFCOM command; if you do not, then RDFCOM will assume that the control subvolume has the same name as the local system (in this example it is the name of the backup system) and look for the configuration file in the wrong subvolume.

When it begins your interactive session, RDFCOM displays its product banner followed by the RDFCOM prompt:

```
RDFCOM - T0346A07 - 05JUL05  
(C) 2005 Hewlett-Packard Development Company, L.P.  
]
```

The right-bracket (]) prompt indicates that RDFCOM is ready to accept your first command. When you enter this command, RDFCOM processes it and then displays another right-bracket prompt for your next command. You continue interacting with RDFCOM in this way, repeatedly receiving a prompt and entering a command, until you explicitly end the session.

If it detects an error during startup, RDFCOM displays an error message between the product banner and the right-bracket prompt. If it discovers an error in an RDFCOM command, RDFCOM displays an error message immediately following the command. Each error message line begins with the following text, even if the message continues to more than one line:

```
*** Error ***
```

For example, if you issue an ADD RDF command without previously initializing RDF, RDFCOM issues the following message:

```
*** Error *** RDF has not been initialized
```

Ending a Session

When you want to end your session with RDFCOM, you can either issue the EXIT command or type Ctrl-Y.



NOTE: On most terminals, you enter Ctrl-Y by simultaneously pressing the control key and the Y key. On some terminals, however, this escape function might be selected by a different key combination or a single key. Before using RDFCOM, identify how this function is selected on your terminal.

Interrupting Command Processing

You can interrupt RDFCOM processing by pressing the BREAK key at your terminal. RDFCOM responds as follows:

- If you press BREAK at the RDFCOM input prompt (]), RDFCOM returns control of the terminal to RDFCOM's parent process (typically, TACL) but continues execution. You can

resume communication with RDFCOM by entering the operating system command PAUSE at the TACL prompt.

- If you press BREAK when an RDFCOM command that displays information (such as STATUS RDF) is in progress, RDFCOM terminates execution of this command and prompts you for another one.
- If you press BREAK when an RDFCOM command that changes the RDF configuration or status (such as ALTER RDF) is in progress, RDFCOM continues to execute this command while immediately prompting you for another one.



NOTE: On your terminal, the BREAK key might not actually be labeled “BREAK.” All terminals, however, have some key or combination of keys that perform the BREAK operation. Before using RDFCOM, determine how this operation is selected on your terminal.

Using RDFCOM Noninteractively (without an IN File)

When you use RDFCOM noninteractively, you enter one or more commands to RDFCOM at the same time you start your session. RDFCOM executes all of these commands, and then terminates the session and returns control of your terminal to TACL.

To run RDFCOM noninteractively, you enter the RDFCOM keyword, the control subvolume name, the semicolon, and one or more RDFCOM commands on the same line. The following example includes a command that displays current configuration information for the RDF monitor (the example assumes that \LONDON is the primary system, the suffix character “A” was specified in the INITIALIZE RDF command, and the user did **not** explicitly name the monitor process):

```
1> RDFCOM LONDONA; INFO MONITOR
RDFCOM - T0346A07 - 05JUL05
(C)2005 Hewlett-Packard Development Company, L.P.
MONITOR CPUS 0:1
MONITOR PRIORITY 170
MONITOR PROCESS $MON
2>
```

As this example illustrates, after the command is executed, the RDFCOM session automatically terminates and the TACL prompt again appears.

To specify multiple RDFCOM commands on a single line, you must enter a semicolon (;) to separate each command from the preceding one. For example:

```
3> RDFCOM LONDONA; INFO MONITOR; INFO EXTRACTOR
```

If any command on the line fails, RDFCOM reports the error and terminates without executing any of the subsequent commands.

Using RDFCOM From a Command File (IN file)

RDFCOM can also read commands from a command file. The **command file** is a text file that contains the RDFCOM commands you want to execute, which you prepare using your standard text editor. You might, for example, create a command file named RDFSET that contains the following commands:

```
SET RDF SOFTWARELOC $SYSTEM.RDF
SET RDF LOGFILE $0
SET RDF UPDATERDELAY 10
SET RDF UPDATERTEXTIME 60
SET RDF UPDATERRTDWARNING 60
SET RDF UPDATEROPEN PROTECTED
SET RDF NETWORK ON
SET RDF NETWORKMASTER ON
SET RDF UPDATEREXCEPTION OFF
ADD RDF
```

To run RDFCOM and execute the commands in this file, supply the command file name in the IN option of the command to start RDFCOM:

```
4> RDFCOM /IN RDFSET/ control-subvolume
```

When it uses a command file in this way, RDFCOM works in batch mode: RDFCOM begins the session, reads and executes each command from the command file, and displays the associated output at your terminal. When RDFCOM reaches the end of the command file or encounters an EXIT command within that file, RDFCOM terminates the session and returns control to TACL. If RDFCOM encounters an error while reading the command file, RDFCOM displays an error message, terminates the session, and returns control to TACL.

If you include both the IN and OUT options in the RDFCOM command, RDFCOM reads commands from the command file specified by the IN option and directs all output to the destination specified by the OUT option. For example, the following command causes RDFCOM to read commands from the command file COMFILE1 and list the output to the printer \$LP:

```
5> RDFCOM/IN COMFILE1, OUT $LP/ control-subvolume
```

In addition, you can execute the contents of a command file within an interactive RDFCOM session by using the RDFCOM OBEY command. If you regularly use a series of sequential RDF operations in your interactive sessions, for instance, you might want to specify these in a command file. Then each time you need these operations, you can execute them with a single OBEY command rather than with multiple individual RDFCOM commands.

As an example, many users find that initializing RDF is much easier and more consistent when done using command files. Suppose you have created a command file named RDFINIT that contains the commands for initializing the subsystem. You could execute all these commands by simply entering:

```
]OBEY RDFINIT
```

If you decide later that you want to use different installation attributes, you can change the command file and then enter the OBEY command again. Using command files makes performing repeated tasks very convenient.

During processing of an OBEY command, when RDFCOM reaches the end of the command file, RDFCOM prompts you for another RDFCOM command. If RDFCOM encounters an EXIT command within the command file, RDFCOM terminates the session and returns control to TACL. If RDFCOM encounters an error while reading the command file, RDFCOM displays an error message, and prompts you for another RDFCOM command.



NOTE: Previously you could not put the RDFCOM takeover command into an RDFCOM script file because that command prompted the user several times before it executed. By using the new ! option to the takeover command, you can now put the takeover command into a script file with the ! option because the ! option eliminates the prompts. For more information, see the Takeover command in Chapter 8 “Entering RDFCOM Commands” .

Using Scripts for Easy and Fast RDF Initialization and Configuration

In the discussion above, you have learned how to use RDF command scripts for RDFCOM operations and how to use an IN file to execute a list of RDFCOM commands. Here is a highly convenient way to use both of these methods to initialize and configure an RDF subsystem. You create an EDIT file with the following TACL commands that you want executed on your primary system \Boston.

```
fup purge $system.BOSTON.*!  
fup purge \SF.$system.BOSTON.*!  
rdfcom; initialize rdf,backupsystem \SF!  
rdfcom /in $system.boston.rdfcfg/  
rdfcom; start rdf
```

You would execute this command as an OBEY file to your TACL prompt. For this example, assume you have been running an RDF subsystem where \BOSTON is your primary system and \SF is your backup system. You have stopped TMF and RDF, you have reinitialized and reconfigured TMF, and you want to reinitialize, reconfigure, and restart RDF.

Recall that before you can initialize RDF you must delete the control subvolumes on both primary and backup systems. These are executed by the first two commands in the TACL obey file above.

The next command initializes RDF, specifying that the default system (\BOSTON) is your primary system and \SF is your backup. When RDFCOM completes this operation, the RDFCOM session ends and TACL moves to the next RDFCOM command. This command reads in your configuration file (\$SYSTEM.BOSTON.RDFCFG) and creates the new configuration for your environment. When the last command in the script executes, this RDFCOM session terminates and a new RDFCOM session actually starts your newly configured RDF subsystem.

You could place all three of the RDFCOM commands in the single RDFCOM command file \$SYSTEM.BOSTON.RDFCFG, but the value of keeping the three operations executed by separate RDFCOM sessions is this. While your RDF configuration script may not change, your initialization command is likely to change each time you use the INITTIME option, so you may find it easier just to edit the overall OBEY files to change the INITTIME value. Secondly, you might find it easier to keep the START RDFCOM command as a separate operation, thereby keeping the configuration limited to just the different configuration commands.

Managing Multiple RDF Environments from One RDFCOM Session

If you have multiple RDF subsystems running on a single node, you can manage and monitor all of them from a single RDFCOM session. You just need to use the OPEN command to open the specific RDF subsystem you want to manage or monitor before issuing the command. This is best seen by an example.

Suppose you have three RDF subsystems configured and they are replicating different data to different nodes.

```
RDF Subsystem FOXIIA
\FOXII -----> \TSII

RDF Subsystem FOXIIB
\FOXII -----> \PRUNE

RDF Subsystem FOXIIC
\FOXII -----> \PUMPKIN
```

Running one RDFCOM interactively, you can monitor the status of each by issuing the following commands:

```
RDFCOM
] OPEN FOXIIA; STATUS RDF
] OPEN FOXIIB; STATUS RDF
] OPEN FOXIIC; STATUS RDF
```

Running one RDFCOM noninteractively, you can start each by issuing the following START RDF commands:

```
RDFCOM FOXIIA; START RDF; STATUS RDF
RDFCOM FOXIIB; START RDF; STATUS RDF
RDFCOM FOXIIC; START RDF; STATUS RDF
```

As each command line in the above example ends, that specific RDFCOM session terminates and the next line is executed.

Controlling Multiple RDF Environments Running on Different Nodes with a Single Obey File

If you have multiple RDF subsystems running on different nodes, you can control those subsystems from a single obey file. Consider the following environment.

```
RDF Subsystem PRIM1
\PRIM1 -----> \BACK1
```

```
RDF Subsystem PRIM2
\PRIM2 -----> \BACK2
```

```
RDF Subsystem PRIM3
\PRIM3 -----> \BACK3
```

Now suppose these RDF subsystems are running as an RDF network, you have lost PRIM1, you have stopped the applications on PRIM2 and PRIM3, and you want to execute the takeover commands from a single obey file to be executed on BACK1. Here are the commands you would put in the obey file. Assume that you have put RDFCOM on \$SYSTEM.SYSTEM on each node and licensed it.

```
\BACK1.$SYSTEM.RDFCOM PRIM1; TAKEOVER!
\BACK2.$SYSTEM.RDFCOM PRIM2; TAKEOVER!
\BACK3.$SYSTEM.RDFCOM PRIM3; TAKEOVER!
```

Using RDFCOM Commands

To request an RDFCOM operation, you enter a corresponding RDFCOM command. These commands fall into three functional areas: configuration, operational, and utility commands.

Configuration Commands

RDFCOM configuration commands and their functions are summarized in Table 4-1. All of these commands except INFO and SHOW can be issued only by members of the super-user group; INFO and SHOW can be issued by anyone.

Table 4-1 RDFCOM Configuration Commands

Command	Object		Function
ADD	RDF; MONITOR; EXTRACTOR; RECEIVER; IMAGETRAIL;	PURGER; RDFNET; NETWORK; TRIGGER; VOLUME;	Applies option values from the configuration memory table to the RDF configuration file for the specified process, or adds RDF and image trail configuration records to the RDF configuration file.
ALTER	RDF; MONITOR; EXTRACTOR; RECEIVER;	PURGER; RDFNET; TRIGGER; VOLUME;	Alters the existing values in the RDF configuration file for the specified process.
DELETE	IMAGETRAIL; TRIGGER;	VOLUME;	Deletes the image trail or the entire configuration record for the specified trigger or volume from the RDF configuration file.
INFO	*; IMAGETRAIL; RDF; MONITOR; EXTRACTOR; RECEIVER;	RDFNET; NETWORK; PURGER; TRIGGER; VOLUME;	Displays current option values from the RDF configuration file for the specified process or for all processes (*).
INITIALIZE	RDF;		Initializes RDF.
RESET	RDF; MONITOR; EXTRACTOR; RECEIVER; VOLUME;	IMAGETRAIL; PURGER; RDFNET; NETWORK; TRIGGER;	Resets all option values in the configuration memory table to their default values for the specified process.

Table 4-1 RDFCOM Configuration Commands *(continued)*

Command	Object	Function
SET	RDF; MONITOR; EXTRACTOR; RECEIVER; VOLUME; IMAGETRAIL; PURGER; RDFNET; NETWORK; TRIGGER;	Adds option values to the configuration memory table for the specified process.
SHOW	RDF; MONITOR; EXTRACTOR; RECEIVER; IMAGETRAIL; VOLUME; PURGER; RDFNET; NETWORK; TRIGGER;	Lists current option values from the configuration memory table for the specified process.

Operational Commands

RDFCOM operational commands and their functions are listed in Table 4-2. All of these commands except STATUS can be issued only by members of the super-user group; STATUS can be issued by anyone.

Table 4-2 RDFCOM Operational Commands

Command	Object	Function
COPYAUDIT	- - ;	Copies missing audit records from the backup system that has the most audit to the one that has the least audit (use this command only if you have configured RDF for Triple Contingency)
START	RDF ;	Starts RDF.
START	UPDATE ;	Starts all updater processes on the backup system.
STATUS	MONITOR; RDF; EXTRACTOR; RECEIVER; PURGER; PROCESS; VOLUME; RTDWARNING; RDFNET;	Lists current information about RDF processes.
STOP	RDF ;	Stops RDF.
STOP	SYNCH ;	Signals the end of all necessary load and BACKUP operations during online database synchronization.
STOP	UPDATE ;	Stops all updater processes on the backup system.
TAKEOVER	- - ;	Initiates an RDF takeover operation on the backup system.
UNPINAUDIT	- - ;	Unpins TMF audit trail files on the primary system
VALIDATE	CONFIGURATION ;	Validates the current attribute values in the RDF configuration file.

Utility Commands

RDFCOM utility commands and their functions are listed in Table 4-3. All of these commands can be issued by anyone.

Table 4-3 RDFCOM Utility Commands

Command	Object	Function
EXIT	--	Terminates an RDFCOM session.
FC	--	Enables you to edit (fix) a previously issued command.
HELP	{ABBREVIATIONS} {ALL} {command} {message-number}	Displays help text for commands and messages.
HISTORY	--	Displays the 10 most recently issued RDFCOM commands.
OBEY	<i>filename</i>	Causes RDFCOM to read commands from the specified command file.
OPEN	<i>control-subvolume</i>	Sets the RDF control subvolume to \$SYSTEM. <i>control-subvolume</i> , thereby setting up RDF for access to that configuration.
OUT	<i>filename</i>	Redirects subsequent session output to the specified device or file.

Entering Commands

The complete syntax of all RDFCOM commands appears in [Chapter 8 \(page 187\)](#). Some general rules that apply to all RDFCOM commands appear in the following list:

- You can enter commands in either uppercase or lowercase letters or any combination of these.
- RDFCOM reads command lines up to 132 characters (bytes) long; if the maximum line length of your input device is less than 132 characters, and your command input exceeds the device's limit, the input will wrap around to the next line but will terminate when 132 characters have been read. RDFCOM does not support additional entry lines or special command continuation characters.
- RDFCOM supports a comments character (vertical bar - |) within command entry lines or within OBEY command files.

For more information on using the comment character, see the Sample Configuration script in "Sample Configuration File" (page 360).

Requesting Online Help

Through the RDFCOM HELP command, you can display brief descriptions of:

- RDFCOM command syntax (including syntax for the HELP command itself)
- Numbered RDF messages (such as 700, 705, and so forth)

The HELP text is intended as a reminder, not as a substitute for this manual.

Help for Command Syntax

To obtain syntax information for an individual command, enter HELP followed by the command name. For example, to display the ADD command syntax, enter:

```
]HELP ADD
```

RDFCOM displays the following:

```

      { RDF                               }
      { MONITOR                           }
      { EXTRACTOR                         }
      { RECEIVER                          }
ADD { IMAGE TRAIL $volume                 }
```

```

{ PURGER                }
{ RDFNET                }
{ NETWORK               }
{ TRIGGER trigger-type }
{ VOLUME $volume       }
{ $volume               }

```

Cannot be performed with RDF running.

Only a user in the SUPER group can execute this command.

To obtain a list of the available RDFCOM commands, enter:

```
]HELP ALL
```

RDFCOM displays the following information:

Help is available for the following:

Configuration Commands:

```

ADD
ALTER { RDF | MONITOR | EXTRACTOR | RECEIVER | PURGER |
        TRIGGER | RDFNET | VOLUME }
DELETE
INFO
INITIALIZE
RESET
SHOW
SET { RDF | MONITOR | EXTRACTOR | RECEIVER | IMAGETRAIL |
        PURGER | NETWORK | RDFNET | TRIGGER | VOLUME }

```

Operational Commands:

```

COPYAUDIT
START
STATUS
STOP
TAKEOVER
UNPINAUDIT
VALIDATE

```

Utility Commands:

```

EXIT
FC
HELP
HISTORY
OBEY
OPEN
OUT

```

RDF Concepts:
Abbreviations

RDF error messages:
error-number

E.g., "help 700"
prints an explanation for the RDF error message 700

Help for RDF Error Messages

For information about a particular error message (its cause, effect, and recommended recovery steps), enter HELP followed by the message number. For example, to obtain information about message number 715, enter:

```
]HELP 715
```

In response, RDFCOM displays the following information:

|	715 Primary Stopped	|

Cause:	The primary process of a NonStop process pair has stopped. This probably was the result of an operator inadvertently issuing a STOP command from TACL.	
Effect:	The backup process takes over, but not in fault-tolerant mode, until the primary process can be re-created.	
Recovery:	This is an informational message; no recovery is required.	

Running RDFSCAN

RDFSCAN is an interactive command interpreter through which you begin a session and enter requests to scan and display the content of intermediate entry-sequenced RDF message file produced by the standard EMS filter RDFFLTO. RDFSCAN runs under the Guardian user interface (normally TACL) to the operating system. To begin an RDFSCAN session and enter commands interactively, enter the keyword RDFSCAN at the current TACL prompt.

Command Syntax for Starting an RDFSCAN Session

To enter an RDFSCAN session, use the following command syntax:

```
RDFSCAN filename
```

RDFSCAN

is an implicit RUN command, instructing the TACL command interpreter to run the RDFSCAN utility program.

filename

specifies the entry-sequenced file to be opened.

Using RDFSCAN

When you use RDFSCAN, you conduct an interactive dialog with it through prompts, commands, output displays, and messages.

RDFSCAN has two operational restrictions:

- RDFSCAN does not use command files; you must enter all RDFSCAN commands from the terminal.
- RDFSCAN accepts only one command per prompt.

Starting a Session

To start an interactive session with RDFSCAN, enter the RDFSCAN keyword at your TACL prompt, followed by the name of the entry-sequenced file you want to open. For example, to begin an RDFSCAN session and open the file \$SYSTEM.RDF.MSGLOG for scanning, enter:

```
>RDFSCAN $SYSTEM.RDF.MSGLOG
```

RDFSCAN displays a banner, information about the message file, and a text line that prompts you for input:

```
RDFSCAN - T0346A06 - 14MAR04
(C)1988 Tandem (C)2004 Hewlett Packard Development Company, L.P.
File: $SYSTEM.RDF.RDFLOG, current record: 9454,
    last record: 9466
Enter HELP ALL for instructions
```

Enter the RDFSCAN function you want:

To begin an RDFSCAN session and open the file \$SPOOL.SANFRAN.RDFLOG for scanning, enter:

```
>RDFSCAN $SPOOL.SANFRAN.RDFLOG
```

RDFSCAN displays the following:

```
RDFSCAN - T0346A06 - 14MAR04
(C)1988 Tandem (C)2004 Hewlett Packard Development Company, L.P.
File: $SPOOL.SANFRAN.RDFLOG, current record: 7346,
      last record: 8967
Enter HELP ALL for instructions
```

Enter the RDFSCAN function you want:

To request an RDFSCAN operation, enter the corresponding RDFSCAN command (described next in this discussion) at the prompt.

Ending a Session

To terminate the RDFSCAN session, issue the EXIT command or type Ctrl-Y.

Using RDFSCAN Commands

To request an RDFSCAN function, you enter a corresponding RDFSCAN command, selected from the list in Table 4-4. All of these commands are unrestricted; they can be entered by any user.

Table 4-4 RDFSCAN Commands

Command	Object	Function
AT	[<i>record-number</i>]	Specifies the record number at which to begin the next RDFSCAN function.
DISPLAY	[ON | OFF]	Enables or disables the display of record numbers for the lines listed.
EXIT	--	Terminates an RDFSCAN session.
FILE	<i>log-file</i>	Opens the specified file as the current EMS log.
HELP	[ALL] [<i>command</i>] [INTRO]	Displays help text for commands and RDFSCAN usage.
LIST	<i>number</i>	Beginning at the current record, examines subsequent messages in the message file and displays those that contain the current match pattern. The operation terminates when the specified number of matches has been found or the last record is encountered, whichever happens first.
LOG	<i>log-file</i>	Copies any log messages subsequently displayed on the screen by LIST commands to the specified file.
MATCH	<i>text</i>	Defines the current match pattern.

Table 4-4 RDFSCAN Commands *(continued)*

Command	Object	Function
NOLOG	--	Turns off the LOG command.
SCAN	<i>number</i>	Beginning at the current record, examines the specified number of messages in the message file, and displays messages that contain the current match pattern.

The complete syntax for all RDFSCAN commands appears in [Chapter 9](#) (page 261).

You can abbreviate the command name by entering only the first character (such as L for List) or any number of the leading characters (such as DIS for Display). You can use either uppercase or lowercase letters.

Requesting Online Help

Through the RDFSCAN HELP command, you can request brief descriptions of:

- Command syntax (including the syntax for the HELP command itself)
- Introductory information on using the RDFSCAN utility

Help for Command Syntax

To obtain syntax information for an individual command, enter HELP followed by the command name. As an example, to display information for the LIST command, enter HELP LIST after the prompt:

Enter the RDFscan function you want: **HELP LIST**

In response, RDFSCAN displays the following:

`LIST count`

List will display *count* records from the current-record pointer (set with AT.) If a pattern match has been selected with Match, then only those records that match will be displayed. *count* specifies how many records will be displayed, even if many more must be read.

Scan will only read *count* no matter how many are displayed.

FILE: \WHICH.\$SYSTEM.RDF.RDFLOG, current record: 37501, last record: 37513

Enter the next RDFscan function you want:

To obtain a list of all RDFSCAN commands, enter either HELP or HELP ALL. For example:

Enter the next RDFscan function you want: **HELP ALL**

In response, RDFSCAN displays:

Enter HELP INTRO for an introduction to RDFSCAN.

Valid RDFSCAN commands are:

```
At          - Sets the current-record pointer to the value
              given.
Display     - Turns ON/OFF the display of line number with each
              line listed.
Exit        - Exits.
File        - Changes the RDF message file being scanned.
Help        - Help.
List        - Displays "n" lines of the RDFLOG with optional
              pattern matching.
LOG         - Sets and Opens the message file for echoing of
              Listed lines.
Match       - Sets the pattern to be matched (or turns it off.)
NOLOG       - Closes the log file.
```

Scan - Reads "n" lines of the RDFLOG and displays them
with optional pattern matching.

FILE: \WHICH.\$SYSTEM.RDF.RDFLOG, current record: 37501, last record: 37513

Enter the next RDFscan function you want:

Introductory Usage Information

To display a brief introduction to the purpose, features, and use of RDFSCAN, enter HELP INTRO:

Enter the next RDFscan function you want: **HELP INTRO**

In response, RDFSCAN displays:

RDFSCAN is a utility for quickly scanning the RDFLOG file. When you run RDFSCAN it calculates the last-record-number and displays it for you. You can then selectively list (display) various portions of the file.

You can set the "current-record-pointer" via AT *number*. Then you can LIST *count* records in the file starting at *number*. The current-record pointer will be incremented as you display records so that you can continue listing records

.
.
.

The display continues for a total of 44 lines. If the text extends beyond the last line of your terminal screen, RDFSCAN allows you to continue paging through the display by responding Y to the prompt:

MORE HELP ([Y] or N) ?

Performing Routine Operational Tasks

Through RDFCOM and RDFSCAN, you can perform many different RDF functions. Among these are the routine operational tasks that system operators do from day-to-day. These routine tasks include:

- Displaying current configuration attributes and operating statistics
- Changing configuration attributes
- Reading RDF messages

Other specialized tasks are described throughout the manual.

Displaying Current Operating Statistics and Configuration Information

While RDF is running, you can obtain both a display of your current RDF configuration and relevant operating statistics that pertain to each configured entity by issuing the RDFCOM STATUS RDF command. This can also be obtained if you are using ASAP (see Appendix E (page 465)). The display returned by the RDFCOM STATUS RDF command is as follows:

] STATUS RDF

In response, RDF displays:

RDFCOM - T0346H09 - 11AUG08
(C)2008 Hewlett-Packard Development Company, L.P.

Status of \RDF04 -> \RDF05 RDF 2008/08/11 05:26:49.082
Control Subvol: \$SYSTEM.RDF04
Current State : Normal

RDF Process	Name	RTD Time	Pri	Volume	Seqnce	Rel	Byte	Addr	Cpus	Err
Monitor	\$RMON		185	\$AUDIT	56				1: 2	
Extractor (0)	\$REXT0	0:00	185	\$AUDIT	56		928000		1: 2	
Extractor (1)	\$REXT1	0:00	185	\$DATA17	4		10435580		1: 2	

```

Receiver (0)      $RRCV0      0:00 185 $MIT      44      1: 2
Receiver (1)      $RRCV1      0:00 185      1: 2
Imagetrail (0)           $IMAGE0      22
Imagetrail (1)           $IMAGEA      3
Purger           $RPRG           185      1: 2
$DATA06 -> $DATA06 $RUPD1      0:06 185 $IMAGE0      22      9568 1: 2
$DATA07 -> $DATA07 $RUPD2      0:00 185 $IMAGEA      3      811008 2: 3
$DATA08 -> $DATA08 $RUPD3      0:06 185 $IMAGEA      3      811568 3: 0

```

In the STATUS RDF display, the first line gives the name of the primary system (\RDF04 in this example), the name of the backup system (\RDF05 in this example), and the timestamp that shows when the STATUS RDF command was issued. The second line specifies the fully-qualified name of the control subvolume.

RDF States

The third line specifies the current state of the subsystem; any of the following entries are possible:

Table 4-5 RDF States

Status	Description
Normal	RDF running with Update On
Normal - Update Stopped	RDF running with Update Off
Start Update Pending	RDF was running with Update Off, Update was just turned On, but one or more updaters have not yet started.
Stop Update Pending	RDF was running with Update On, Update was just turned Off, but one or more updaters have not yet stopped.
Stop Update, Timestamp Pending	RDF was running with Update On, you issued a STOP UPDATE command with the timestamp option, but one or more updaters have not reached the end of Redo and/or Undo operations.
* STOP RDF In Progress *	RDF was running with Update On, you have issued a STOP RDF command, but one or more RDF processes have not yet stopped.
* TMF STOP In Progress *	RDF was running with either Update On or Off, you have issued a TMFCOM STOP TMF command on the primary system, the master extractor has detected the STOP TMF audit record, but one or more RDF processes have not yet stopped in response.
WRONG PROGRAM VERSION	You have tried to START RDF, but the RDF software on the backup system is not compatible with the RDF software on the primary system.
NSA Stop Update Pending	RDF was running with Update On, a Shared Access NonStop SQL/MP or SQL/MX operation was detected, but some updaters have not yet shutdown.

Table 4-5 RDF States *(continued)*

Status	Description
Update NSA Stopped	RDF had been running with Update On, a Shared Access NonStop SQL/MP or SQL/MX operation was detected, and all updaters have completed their shutdown. Note, you must consult the RDF LOG for either the RDF event 905 or 908 to determine if it is safe for you to perform the DDL operation on the backup system.
* Monitor Unavailable *	The monitor is either stopped or is running but unable to respond. The latter situation can happen for several reasons, such as the STATUS RDF command having been issued from the backup system when the Expand connection to the primary system is done. Another example of this can happen as a result of a STOP RDF, REVERSE operation that includes a REVERSE trigger that starts RDF with the WAIT option. If this state persists and if Expand is up, then you should check the status of the Monitor via a TACL status command. If the monitor is gone but the other RDF processes are still present, then the process was probably either manually stopped from TACL or perhaps it was stopped by a double CPU failure. If you can confirm that the monitor is stopped and the other RDF processes are running, you should manually stop all surviving RDF processes by issuing the following TACL command on both the primary and backup systems: STATUS *, PROG \$SYSTEM.RDF.*, STOP. This example assumes the location of the RDF software is \$SYSTEM.RDF.

Main STATUS RDF Display

The rest of the display provides current information about each RDF process configured.

For extractors, receivers, and image trails, the configured ATINDEX value is displayed in parentheses following the object name. In the preceding example, the extractor \$REXT0 and receiver \$RRCV0 are associated with the MAT, while the extractor \$\$REXT1 and receiver \$RRCV1 are associated with auxiliary audit trail AUX01.

Because of insufficient space, however, ATINDEX values are not displayed explicitly for updaters. To determine the ATINDEX value of a particular updater, see the ATINDEX value of the updater's specific image trail.

In this example, a monitor process and two extractor processes are configured on the primary system, and two receiver processes and three updater processes are configured on the backup system. For each process, the following items appear, indicated by column headings near the top of the display:

- *RDF Process* identifies the type of process. Notice that each updater process is identified by the name of the primary volume the updater is protecting and the corresponding volume on the backup system. In this example, each volume being updated on the backup system has the same name as the corresponding volume on the primary system (for example, updates to the volume \$DATA07 on the primary system are replicated by the updater process \$RUPD2 to the volume \$DATA07 on the backup system).
- *Name* denotes the name assigned to the process.
- *RTD Time* specifies the current RDF time delay (RTD) value for the extractor process, receiver process, and all updater processes. These values can help you determine how far behind the applications each process is running.

In every audit trail, there are different timestamps that are observed by the extractor reading that trail. The RTD value of an extractor corresponds to the difference between the last modification timestamp of the latest audit trail file in the audit trail being read by the extractor and the latest timestamp that extractor encountered within the audit trail. The extractor also stores the latest timestamp taken from the audit trail in each audit record, which is then defined as an image record.

The receiver RTD time virtually always mirrors that of the extractor sending to it. The only time it varies is during a receiver restart condition. The value of this RTD time has to a large part become obsolete, but it continues to be displayed for long standing continuity with older RDF releases.

The RTD value reported for each updater process is the difference between the “last modified time” of the latest file in the audit trail to which the volume protected by the updater is configured and the timestamp from the latest image record that the updater has read.

The RTD value reflects, in the most general sense, the amount of time by which the backup database is behind the primary database. In the example shown earlier in this command description, the specified RTD time for the updater \$RUPD1 is 0 minutes and 6 seconds, meaning that the updater is running approximately 6 seconds behind the MAT on the primary system. On a finely tuned RDF backup node, the RTD for an updater can typically vary between 1 and 20 seconds behind TMF processing.



NOTE: As can be seen from the discussion above, RTD times are not precise. They represent a general figure of how far the updater might be behind. In this sense they have value, but they should not be taken as precision indicators of how far an RDF process has fallen behind. Further, they do not at all reflect how long it will take the RDF process to catch up. For example, an extractor that shows it is 30 minutes behind may only take 15 seconds to catch up. Updaters typically show RTD times that cycle from 0 to 20 seconds, but it typically takes an updater a fraction of one second to catch up and show an RTD time of 0:00 before it starts to cycle back up to 15-20 seconds.

- *Pri* specifies the priority at which each process is running.
- *Volume* and *Seqnce* together specify a file associated with each process:

The monitor entry reflects the name of the MAT file to which TMF is writing (\$AUDIT.ZTMFAT.AA000056 in this example).

Each extractor entry reflects the name of the TMF audit trail file that it is reading (\$AUDIT.ZTMFAT.AA000056 for the master extractor and \$DATA17.ZTMFAT.BB000004 for the auxiliary extractor in this example).

The master receiver entry reflects the name of the master image trail file (\$MIT.RDF04.AA000044) to which it is writing. Please note that only TMF and RDF control records are written to the master image trail (MIT).

The image trail entries reflect names of the secondary image trail files to which the corresponding receiver has written image data (the master receiver writes MAT-based image records to \$IMAGE0.RDF04.AA000022 and the receiver \$RRCV1 writes to AUX01-based image records to \$IMAGEA1.RDF04.AA000003 in this example).

Each updater entry reflects the name of the secondary image file from which it is reading (\$IMAGE0.RDF04.AA000022 for \$RUPD1, \$IMAGEA1.RDF04.AA000004 for \$RUPD2, and \$RUPD3 in this example).

- *Rel Byte Addr* specifies where in the specified file the particular process is either writing (receivers) or reading (extractors and updaters).
- *Cpus* specifies the CPUs in which each process pair is running.
- *Error* lets you know if a process has experienced an error. If the column is blank, no error has occurred. If the column for an updater contains asterisks (****), the updater has experienced a critical error. If the updater is doing an undo pass, the word undo appears in the Error column. If RDFCOM cannot reach a particular process, the Error column for that process contains the applicable file-system error number that RDFCOM encountered when attempting to send to that process.

The occurrence of a critical error could mean that the backup database is no longer synchronized with the primary database because of data loss. If asterisks appear in the Error

column for any RDF process, you should examine the messages in the RDF log file or on the RDF log device to determine what is happening and what corrective action to take.

Except for updaters, asterisks in the *Error* column continue to appear in every STATUS RDF display until the error condition has been corrected.

For updaters, the asterisks disappear when the error is corrected and updating is restarted after execution of any of the following commands:

STOP UPDATE
STOP RDF
STOP TMF

Although the occurrence of a critical error might mean that the primary and backup databases are no longer synchronized with one another, that is not always the case. If, for example, the primary CPU of the disk process goes down, all updater processes affected by that error condition report a file-system error and then attempt to restart. If the error does not occur again when the affected updater processes restart, the databases are probably still synchronized with one another. In that case, the asterisks are cleared from subsequent STATUS RDF displays.

For more information on critical errors, you can scan the EMS collectors on the primary and backup systems:

- The EMS collector on the primary system contains log messages for the extractor and monitor processes.
- The EMS collector on the backup system contains log messages for the receiver, purger, and all updater processes.

When RDF is not running, the STATUS RDF report indicates why. For example, the report might indicate that the subsystem has never been started, or that it has crashed. The report also indicates where processing resumes in the TMF audit trail when RDF is restarted.

When the BREAK key is pressed while the STATUS RDF command is executing with the PERIOD option (which requests repeated displays at a specified interval), the break takes effect within one second rather than waiting until the end of the current interval.

Using RDF Status Data to Control TMF Audit Dumping

You can use the STATUS RDF command to determine when the RDF extractor has finished processing the audit file that TMF wants to dump. The TMF/RDF trail listed for the extractor in the STATUS RDF display indicates the TMF audit trail file that the RDF extractor is currently processing.

Approximately 30 seconds after the STATUS RDF display shows that the extractor's sequence value is greater than the number of the audit trail that TMF wants to dump, it is safe to mount the tape and let TMF dump the audit trail if one is dumping to tape and not to disk.

Changing Configuration Attributes

After RDF starts, you can change the following configuration attributes online as the need arises:

- The priority at which each RDF process runs
- The EMS log
- RETAINCOUNT
- PURGETIME (altering this attribute causes the purger to perform a purge pass immediately)
- UPDATERDELAY
- UPDATEROPEN

These are the only configuration attributes that can be altered while RDF is running. To change any other configuration attributes, you must first stop RDF or UPDATING as directed in "Restarting RDF" (page 136).

To change any of the attribute values listed above, you start RDFCOM and use the ALTER command. ALTER is a restricted command; it can be issued only by members of the super-user group. See the description of the ALTER command in [Chapter 8 \(page 187\)](#).

Process Priority

All configured RDF processes should run at a priority greater than that of any application process. Furthermore, the RDF processes should run at priorities relative to one another:

- On the primary system, the monitor and extractor processes can run at the same priority but it is recommended that you set the extractor's priority slightly lower than that of the monitor.
- On the backup system, the receiver process should run at a higher priority than any updater process.

The STATUS RDF display shows the priority at which each RDF process is running. Suppose this display indicates that the monitor currently runs at a priority of 165. To change its priority to 170, use the ALTER command:

```
]ALTER MONITOR PRIORITY 170
```

EMS Logs (Collectors)

In an RDF configuration, two EMS logs (collectors) exist: one at the primary system and the other at the backup system. The log on the primary system is used by the monitor, RDFCOM, and extractor and RDFNET processes. The log on the backup system is used by the receiver, updater, and purger processes.

To redirect messages from the current EMS log to the log named \$EMSC (on the control subvolume CHICAGO), enter:

```
]ALTER RDF LOGFILE $EMSC
```

The specified collector must reside on the local system. For example, if you are in an RDFCOM session on the system \SANFRAN, you cannot specify something like \CHICAGO.\$EMSC as the log.

For more information about the EMS log, see [Chapter 1 \(page 31\)](#), [Chapter 3 \(page 69\)](#), [Chapter 8 \(page 187\)](#), and [Chapter 9 \(page 261\)](#).

RETAINCOUNT

The RETAINCOUNT purger process configuration attribute specifies how many image trail files must be retained on disk for each image trail.

PURGETIME

The PURGETIME purger process configuration attribute specifies the number of minutes the purger process waits between attempts to purge redundant image trail files. Altering this attribute causes the purger to perform a purge pass immediately.

UPDATERDELAY

The UPDATERDELAY global configuration attribute specifies how many seconds the updater processes should delay upon reaching the logical EOF in the image trail before attempting a new read.

UPDATEROPEN

The UPDATEROPEN global configuration attribute specifies how the updaters open database files. By default it is PROTECTED, but PROTECTED OPEN and SHARED are alternatives. See the discussion on UPDATEROPEN in [Chapter 3 “Installing and Configuring RDF”](#). When you change UPDATEROPEN online, the updater closes all its files and then restarts using the new UPDATEROPEN attribute.

Reading Log Messages

RDF messages are sent to the EMS log (collector) specified during RDF configuration.

If RDF encounters an error while attempting to open or send a message to the configured log, RDF takes the following actions:

1. RDF writes either of the following messages to the local \$0 process:

```
"705 File Open Error error# filename"
"700 File System Error error# filename"
```

2. RDF then closes the log (if it is open). The log remains as configured.

The next time RDF needs to write a message to the log, RDF attempts to reopen the configured log. If the error condition persists, RDF repeats the steps just described.

Examining RDF Messages

RDF/IMP and IMPX direct their command, event, warning, and error messages to an EMS collector in the form of fully-tokenized messages.

You can peruse messages in the EMS log on your terminal screen by using Viewpoint or whatever other tool you normally use for monitoring \$0. When you do this, you are dealing with the entire EMS log (not just RDF messages).

Each RDF event has Cause, Effect, and Recovery text associated with it. You can view this text from the EMS collector's interface, or you can enter HELP and the RDF event number to an RDFCOM prompt. For example,

```
] HELP 906
```

This command returns the following:

```
-----
|          906          Process creation error <nnn> <nnn>,file <file-name> |
|-----|
```

Cause: The process encountered an error while attempting to create an RDF process. The error fields reported in the message are the error and error detail fields returned by the `PROCESS_CREATE_` system procedure followed by the file-name of the program that was to be run.

Effect: The process is not started, and RDF shuts down.

Recovery: Consult the description of the `PROCESS_CREATE_` procedure in the Guardian Procedure Calls Reference Manual to determine the cause of the failure. Once the underlying cause is corrected, RDF can be restarted.

To isolate RDF messages from the rest of the EMS log, you can use the standard EMS filter RDFFLT0 to produce an intermediate entry-sequenced file which you then can scan using the RDFSCAN utility.

As noted earlier in this chapter, when you access RDFSCAN, this utility displays current information about the RDF message file, including the number of the last record. This number, presented in the following format, indicates the size of the message file so you can estimate where to begin your scanning:

```
File: $SYSTEM.RDF.RDFLOG, current record: 9454, last record: 9466
```



NOTE: The record numbers reflected by RDFSCAN are *approximate* and might not exactly match the record numbers that would be displayed by a FUP INFO RDFLOG, STAT command.

With RDFSCAN you can specify:

- A starting point within the message file
- The number of records to retrieve
- Text to search for in the message file

RDFSCAN displays those RDF messages that meet the criteria you specify.

The following is a sample display for a primary system. (The column numbers in the top line do not appear in the display, and are included only for reference.)

(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)
2004/06/09	16:10:51	\LA	\$MON1	731	RDF Monitor Started
2004/06/09	16:11:08	\LA	\$Z333	774	RDF Local Extractor Started

The following is a sample display for a backup system. (The column numbers in the top line do not appear in the display, and are included only for reference.)

(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)
2004/06/09	16:11:02	\NYC	\$Z011	771	RDF Remote Receiver Started
2004/06/09	16:11:25	\NYC	\$Z012	773	RDF Remote Updater Started
\$LOST -> \$BLOST					
2004/06/09	16:11:32	\NYC	\$Z013	773	RDF Remote Updater Started
\$BIG -> \$BBIG					
2004/06/09	16:11:52	\NYC	\$Z014	773	RDF Remote Updater Started
\$POPPY -> \$BPOPPY					

In the preceding displays, the individual columns present this information:

(1)	Date—is the date the message occurred, as reflected on the sending system.
(2)	Time—is the time the message occurred, as reflected on the sending system.
(3)	System—is the name of the system where the RDF process to which this message pertains is running.
(4)	RDF Process—is the name of the RDF process to which the message pertains.
(5)	Message Number—is the number that identifies the RDF message and its meaning.
(6)	Message Text—is the descriptive text that appears in the message.

The following sample RDFSCAN session shows another example of how you might use RDFSCAN to examine messages in an RDF message file. The actual line length for RDFSCAN is 132 columns (not 58 as shown in this example). On the terminal screen, lines over 80 columns long wrap to the next line. User input appears in boldface type. Notice also that record numbers, which do not appear in the previous display, have been enabled for this one.

>**RDFSCAN**

```
RDFSCAN - T0346A06 - 14MAR04
(C)1988 Tandem (C)2004 Hewlett Packard Development Company, L.P.
File: $SYSTEM.RDF.RDFLOG, current record: 891, last record: 903
Enter HELP ALL for instructions
```

```
Enter the RDFSCAN function you want: AT 750
File: $SYSTEM.RDF.RDFLOG, current record: 750, last record: 903
```

```
Enter the next RDFSCAN function you want: MATCH
Enter pattern to match: *REMOTE*
File: $SYSTEM.RDF.RDFLOG, current record: 750, last record: 903,
Pattern: *REMOTE*
```

```
Enter the next RDFSCAN function you want:  DISPLAY ON  
File: $SYSTEM.RDF.RDFLOG, current record: 750, last record: 903,  
Pattern: *REMOTE*
```

```
Enter the next RDFSCAN function you want:  LIST 5
```

```
Record number: 751  
2004/06/04 11:20:16 \LAB1 $Z049 771 RDF Remote Receiver Started  
Record number: 752  
2004/06/04 11:20:26 \LAB1 $Z050 773 RDF Remote Updater Started  
$LOST -> $BLOST  
Record number: 756  
2004/06/04 11:20:30 \LAB1 $Z051 771 RDF Remote Receiver Started  
Record number: 758  
2004/06/04 11:21:46 \LAB1 $Z050 773 RDF Remote Updater Started  
$INFO -> $BINFO  
Record number: 760  
2004/06/04 11:22:33 \LAB1 $Z052 773 RDF Remote Updater Started  
$POPPY -> $BPOPPY  
File: $SYSTEM.RDF.RDFLOG, current record: 761, last record: 903,  
Pattern: *REMOTE*
```

```
Enter the next RDFSCAN function you want:  EXIT
```

Thank you for using RDFSCAN

More information about the RDFSCAN commands and elements shown in this example appears in Chapter 9 (page 261).

ASAP

HP's NonStop ASAP product provides in-depth monitoring of the RDF subsystem. It monitors the availability and status of all RDF components and also monitors how RDF is performing, in real-time and historically. ASAP lets a user set goals on key properties like RTD time and alerts when goals aren't met using a variety of alerting mechanisms. It also supports automated actions to recover from common problems without operator intervention.

5 Critical Operations, Special Situations, and Error Conditions

When running RDF, there are a number of critical operations and situations that need careful consideration. Understanding all aspects of these operations and situations is essential. Understanding critical operations ensures that you perform said operations correctly, quickly, and efficiently. Understanding critical situations and error conditions ensures that you achieve resolution as quickly as possible.

This chapter, which is directed to both system managers and operators, discusses the following topics:

- “Recovering From File System Errors” (page 121)
- “Handling Disk Space Problems” (page 124)
- “Exceeding the Maximum Number of Concurrent File Opens” (page 125)
- “Responding to Operational Failures” (page 125)
- “Stopping RDF” (page 132)
- “Restarting RDF” (page 136)
- “Carrying Out a Planned Switchover” (page 136)
- “Takeover Operations” (page 139)
- “Reading the Backup Database (BROWSE versus STABLE Access)” (page 149)
- “Access to Backup Databases with Stable Access” (page 150)
- “RDF and NonStop SQL DDL Operations” (page 151)
- “RDF and NonStop SQL/MX Operations” (page 153)
- “Backing Up Image Trail Files” (page 153)
- “TMF and Online Dumps on the Backup System” (page 154)
- “Doing FUP RELOAD Operations With Updaters Running” (page 155)
- “Exception File Optimization” (page 155)
- “Switching Disks on Updater UPDATEVOLUMES” (page 155)
- “Online Remirroring of Updater SUBVOLUMES” (page 156)

Recovering From File System Errors

All RDF processes can encounter file system error conditions. If it is RDFCOM, it reports an error message that includes the file system error in the RDFCOM Outfile. For any other RDF process (the monitor, the extractor, the receiver, the purger, the updater, or RDFNET), an RDF event is generated in the EMS event log, and this event includes the specific file system error and any additional information that is available. Of particular importance are RDF event messages 700, 705, and 739. As an example, file-system error 59 appears in the following RDF event message 705:

```
10:59 \RDF05 $WU02 705 File open error 59 on $DATA07.QD004378.RFILE02
```

Table 5-1, 5-2, and 5-3 list the most common file system error numbers you might encounter and each entry provides an appropriate recovery action. For every error condition reported by RDFCOM as well as for any RDF event, you are also given a detailed explanation of the cause, effect, and recovery action, and these are all listed in [Appendix C](#).

To analyze a file system error, see the appropriate table in this discussion, reading about any corrective action specific to RDF. Then, for further information about the error (its cause, effect, and general recovery procedures), see the file-system information in the *Guardian Procedure Error and Messages Manual*.

Some errors involving one or more updaters might require you to resynchronize certain files; see the EMS event log for further information. Any error that cannot be explained should be reported to your service provider.

For information about the causes, effects, and recovery actions for all RDF event messages, see [Appendix C \(page 365\)](#) or at the RDFCOM prompt enter the HELP command followed by the RDF event number. For example, to see the Cause, Effect, and Recovery text for RDF event 895, enter the following to the RDFCOM prompt:

```
] HELP 892
```

When present, file-system error numbers appear in the *error#* attribute of these messages.

Table 5-1 lists the file-system error numbers and recovery actions for RDF event 700, which reports file-modification failures.

Table 5-1 Recovery From File Modification Failures (RDF Event 700)

File System Error	Recovery Action
1	Check file integrity. The updater process skips the modify operation. RDF reports error 1 if an updater receives a “record not found” error while attempting to perform the operation.
2	An invalid operation occurred. An error 2 can be caused by a variety of reasons. For example, error 2 is returned if an application has a data file open for shared write access and an updater then attempts to open that same file for exclusive write access. This is a critical error. You should stop RDF and investigate. If you cannot determine the cause of the error and remedy the situation, contact your service provider. If an updater reports an error 2 while attempting to apply an audit record, it skips that record and goes to the next. In this case, after you correct the error condition, you must reinitialize and reconfigure RDF to a point earlier than the record that caused the error, and then restart RDF.
10	Check the file integrity. This could mean either loss of data or duplicated audit records. If data was lost, resynchronize the file. If audit records were duplicated, then no harm occurred. The updater process skips the modify operation.
11	Check the file integrity. This could mean either loss of data or duplicated audit records. If data was lost, resynchronize the file. If audit records were duplicated, then no harm occurred. The updater process skips the modify operation.
16	Check file integrity.
30 through 37	If the problem persists, alter hardware configuration or perform system tuning.
43 through 45	Provide more room for the file or extent by using FUP commands, such as PURGE and ALTER MAXEXTENTS, or by compressing files. You might need to issue a STOP UPDATE command.
50 through 58	Repair the device or clear the condition.
59	Check file integrity.
60 through 66	Repair the device or clear the condition.
71	Check the file integrity. This could mean either loss of data or duplicated audit records. If data was lost, resynchronize the file. If audit records were duplicated, then no harm occurred. The updater process skips the modify operation.
100	Repair the device or clear the condition.
103	Repair the device or clear the condition.
120 through 121	Repair the device or clear the condition.
122, 211	Repair the device or clear the condition. An error 122 or 211 indicates the loss of the primary CPU of a disk process. This is a normal error from which the RDF process will recover.
130 through 139	Repair the device or clear the condition.
157	Check file integrity.
190	Repair the device or clear the condition.

Table 5-1 Recovery From File Modification Failures (RDF Event 700) *(continued)*

File System Error	Recovery Action
200 through 231	Repair the device or clear the condition.
707	Enable the volume for TMF transaction processing.

Table 5-2 lists the file-system error numbers and recovery actions for RDF event 705, which reports file-opening failures.

Table 5-2 Recovery From File Open Failures (RDF Event 705)

File System Error	Recovery Action
11	Resynchronize the file. The updater process skips the open operation.
12	Issue a FUP LISTOPENS command for the file and stop applications that have the file open.
14	Repair the device or clear the condition.
30 through 37	If the problem persists, alter the hardware configuration or perform system tuning.
48	Alter the security (probably Safeguard).
50 through 58	Repair the device or clear the condition.
59	Check file integrity.
60 through 66	Repair the device or clear the condition.
100	Repair the device or clear the condition.
103	Repair the device or clear the condition.
120 through 121	Repair the device or clear the condition.
130 through 139	Repair the device or clear the condition.
157	Check file integrity.
190	Repair the device or clear the condition.
199	Alter the security (probably Safeguard).
200 through 231	Repair the device or clear the condition.

Table 5-3 lists the file-system error numbers and recovery actions for RDF event 739, which reports file-creation failures.

Table 5-3 Recovery From File Creation Failures (RDF Event 739)

File System Error	Recovery Action
10	The file already exists. Purge the old one.
14	Repair the device or clear the condition.
30 through 37	If the problem persists, alter the hardware configuration or perform system tuning.
43 through 45	Provide more room for the file or extent by using FUP commands, such as PURGE and ALTER MAXEXTENTS, or by compressing files. You might need to issue a STOP UPDATE command.
48	Alter the security (probably Safeguard). If an updater fails to create a data file on a backup volume because of a security violation, it logs this error and restarts with this file-creation image until you change the security.
50 through 58	Repair the device or clear the condition.
59	Check file integrity.

Table 5-3 Recovery From File Creation Failures (RDF Event 739) *(continued)*

File System Error	Recovery Action
60 through 66	Repair the device or clear the condition.
100	Repair the device or clear the condition.
103	Repair the device or clear the condition.
120 through 121	Repair the device or clear the condition.
130 through 139	Repair the device or clear the condition.
157	Check file integrity.
190	Repair the device or clear the condition.
199	Alter the security (probably Safeguard).
200 through 231	Repair the device or clear the condition.

Handling Disk Space Problems

When creating a new image file, the receiver preallocates 16 disk extents. If there is not enough disk space, the receiver encounters a file-system error 43 when it tries to preallocate these extents. The receiver retries the preallocation every 5 seconds and reports the problem at approximately 60-second intervals. The receiver continues trying to preallocate the disk space indefinitely.

While the error 43 condition exists, the receiver can only:

- Provide information for STATUS RDF commands
- Respond to STOP RDF commands

The error 43 condition persists until enough disk space is available for an image file.

During an error 43 condition, the receiver may not be able to accept any more images from the extractor if its current image trail file is completely filled.

If you free enough disk space on the image volume to clear the error 43 condition, however, processing resumes automatically. You can do this by moving any files that might not be needed (be sure, however, to restore them before the receiver and updaters need them). Alternatively, you can accomplish this goal by backing up (with the BACKUP utility) an unopened image file, then purging that file, and finally restoring it (with the RESTORE utility) when the first file-system error 11 (file not in directory) is reported for the file by an RDF process on the backup system. See the section “Backing Up Image Trail Files” (page 153).

Because the receiver cannot accept any more images from the extractor, an error 43 condition on the backup system causes the extractor to stop progressing through the audit trail files and RDF to fall behind TMF (TMF, however, continues to generate audit data).

If an error 43 persists on the disk when you issue the STOP RDF command, the subsystem shuts down successfully without requiring allocation of extents for the new file. In this case, however, before you restart the subsystem with the START RDF command, you must make this space available for at least two files per image trail; otherwise, the START RDF command aborts.

If the error 43 condition is cleared before it becomes necessary to stop RDF, both the primary and backup systems continue their normal operations.

If an updater reports an error 43, the updater stops replicating audit until you make space available on that disk. Like the receiver, once you have made space available, the updater automatically resumes operations.

Exceeding the Maximum Number of Concurrent File Opens

The maximum number of audited files a single updater can have concurrently open is 3,000. If you have more than 3,000 audit files being replicated by a single updater, then it is possible that the updater associated with the volume may report RDF event 813 - "Concurrent file opens exceeds capacity". This happens if the updater has 3,000 files open and it must open a new file. Should this occur, the updater immediately generates the RDF event 813, commits its current transaction, closes all files, and restarts, which generates RDF event 837. When it restarts, it resumes processing image audit at the audit record for the file that caused the problem. In this sense, the problem is self-correcting, it does not impact updater performance, and it is safe for you to have more than 3,000 audited files on the volume. The danger comes when you have more than 3,000 audited files on the volume and all of them need to be updated every 6-10 minutes on a regular basis. If this happens regularly over a period of time, then it could cause the purger to stop purging files.

When this situation occurs, you must stop RDF as soon as possible and rebalance the number of audited files on the primary and backup volume of the affected updater so that you have no more than 3,000 audit files on that volume. When RDF has been stopped and you have rebalanced the audit files, then reinitialize and reconfigure RDF using the INITTIME option. See "Initializing RDF Without Stopping TMF (Using INITTIME Option)" (page 80).

If the above problem occurs, the purger has stopped purging files, and you are unable to stop RDF to rebalance the number of audited files on the volume, you can try lowering the duration of the updater's transaction to the minimum value of 10 seconds as a short term workaround. If this does not correct the problem, then the easiest way to correct the problem is to suspend the extractor on the primary system for 10 minutes. If you have RDF/ZLT protection, then you are not at risk of losing any data if your primary system should fail while the extractor is suspended. If you do not have RDF/ZLT protection, then you are vulnerable to loss of data to an unplanned outage of your primary system from the point where you suspend the extractor to the point where the extractor has caught up after you have activated it, but this workaround will allow the purger to purge files.

If suspending the extractor is not acceptable, then use the following steps to resolve the problem for the short term:

1. Do status RDF to get the name of the latest image file on the image trail of the updater generating the 813 events.
2. Stop RDF
3. Restart RDF with UPDATE OFF; this causes the receiver to rollover to a new image file on each image trail.
4. After one minute, STOP RDF again
5. Restart RDF with UPDATE OFF; this causes the receiver to rollover to a new image file on each image trail.
6. On the image trail for the updater generating the 813 events, move the next file in sequence (the one after the file identified in step 1) to a different subvolume. For example, if the updater is reading file AA000100, then move AA000111.
7. Move the file moved in the previous step back to the image trail.

Remember that all of this can be avoided by keeping your audit files balanced so that you do not have more than 3,000 on any single RDF-protected volume.

Responding to Operational Failures

RDF can recover from any of the following events, as described in detail in the following pages:

- Communications line failure on the primary or backup system
- System failure that does not require an RDF Takeover operation
- Processor failure on the primary or backup system

- Failure of a TMF audited volume on the primary system
- TMF subsystem failure after which the TMF volume recovery is successful
- TMF file recovery operation on the primary system that is not to a timestamp, first purge, or TOMATPOSITION position.
- TMF ABORT TRANSACTION with the AVOIDHANGING option on the primary system

RDF cannot recover from the following events:

- TMF file recovery operation to a timestamp, first purge, or TOMATPOSITION on the primary system.
- TMF subsystem failure after which TMF cannot perform a successful volume recovery operation

After a TMF file recovery to a timestamp, first purge, or TOMATPOSITION, or after a TMF subsystem failure for which volume recovery cannot succeed, the databases or the affected files on the primary and backup systems must be resynchronized.

Communication Line Failures

RDF can recover from communication line failures. When the extractor detects that a communication line to the backup system is down, it reports the error to the EMS event log. The extractor attempts to resend data every minute until the line to the backup system is reenabled.

Unless you are running the ZRDF/ZLT product, the failure of the communications line will lead to the loss of committed transactions if you also lose your primary system and you must perform an RDF Takeover operation before the extractor was able to catch up. This risk is eliminated with the RDF/ZLT product and a proper configuration for CommitHold. For further details see, “Zero Lost Transactions (ZLT)” (page 337).

If you stop RDF on the primary system when the communication line to the backup system is down, the monitor tries to send a stop message to the processes on the backup system and reports that the line is down. All of the processes on the backup system continue to run until a STOP RDF command is issued at the backup system.



NOTE: If you issue a STOP RDF command on the primary or backup system while the network is down, you must also issue a STOP RDF command on the other system while the network is still down.

If you have an RDF network running and the Network Master's RDFNET process encounters a communications line failure when attempting to perform a network transaction on another primary node in the RDF network, then it can lead to an increase in work to be performed during an RDF Takeover operation. Once the comm line comes back up and the RDFNET process can resume its network transactions, that need for increased takeover work is eliminated.

System Failures

If you lose your primary system and you can recover it without having to perform an RDF Takeover operation, then no special recovery is required for RDF. When you have restarted your primary system, then restart RDF before you restart your applications.

If you lose your primary system and you need to restart you applications as quickly as possible, then perform the RDF Takeover operation on your backup system. Details of the various tasks you need to do after the RDF Takeover are provided further below. Additionally, if you can eventually recover your primary system, a discussion is also provided further below on how you can recover the database on that system and bring it into synchronization with the database on your backup system where your applications are now running.

If you lose your backup system, you only need to recover it and then restart RDF on your primary system as quickly as possible. If the communications line to your backup system has sufficient bandwidth, then RDF can catch up very quickly.

Processor Failures

All RDF processes other than RDFCOM run as process pairs. If a CPU failure causes a primary RDF process to fail, the backup process takes over without interruption in service.

If any RDF process pair stops unexpectedly, the monitor sends abort messages to the other RDF processes in order to bring about an orderly shutdown of RDF. You can then restart the subsystem by merely issuing a START RDF command.



NOTE: If the monitor process pair unexpectedly stops (for example, as in a double CPU failure), you must stop the other RDF processes manually and then restart the subsystem. The easiest way to do this is to issue a series of commands of the following form: STATUS *,PROG RDF-software-loc.*procname*, STOP.

The subtopics that follow discuss how RDF responds to extractor, receiver, updater, and RDF state transition failures.

Extractor Failure

Although the extractor runs as a process pair, the primary process does not maintain restart information nor checkpoint this information to its backup. Instead, the receiver maintains all restart information for the extractor, ensuring that the extractor is restartable. The restart point is based on the audit trail position of the last record stored in the image trail on the backup system.

If the extractor process pair inadvertently stops, you can (as stated above) restart the RDF subsystem by merely issuing a START RDF command.



CAUTION: During the interval between loss of the extractor and RDF subsystem restart, you should not add any disk volumes to the RDF configuration (with the ADD VOLUME command).

If the primary CPU of the extractor process fails, the backup extractor process requests from the receiver a new starting position in the audit trail, ensuring a correct restart position. This extractor-receiver protocol also provides protection against messages from the extractor erroneously arriving out-of-order: if a message arrives out-of-order, the receiver simply directs the extractor to restart.

When the CPU that failed comes back up, RDF switches the extractor to run on the reactivated primary CPU.

If both the primary and backup CPUs of the extractor process fail, RDF aborts.

Receiver Failure

If the primary CPU of the receiver process fails, the receiver process in the backup CPU takes over and resynchronizes with the extractor process. The extractor process might have to resend audit data that was generated several seconds earlier. When the CPU that failed comes back up, RDF switches the receiver to run on the reactivated primary CPU.

If both the primary and backup CPUs of the receiver process fail, RDF aborts.

Updater Failure

If the primary CPU of an updater process fails, the corresponding updater process in the backup CPU takes over.

If the primary CPU of an updater process fails and then comes back up, RDF does not switch the updater to run on the reactivated primary CPU. Instead, once the backup updater takes over, it becomes (and remains) the new primary process. If you subsequently stop and then restart updating, however, the original CPU configuration for this updater process is restored.

If both the primary and backup CPUs of an updater fail, RDF aborts.

Purger Failure

If the primary CPU of the purger process fails, the purger process in the backup CPU takes over, the current PURGETIME interval is aborted, and a new PURGETIME interval is started. When the CPU that failed comes back up, RDF switches the purger to run on the reactivated primary CPU.

If both the primary and backup CPUs of the purger process fail, RDF aborts.

RDFNET Failure

If the primary CPU of the RDFNET process fails, the RDFNET process in the backup CPU takes over. When the CPU that failed comes back up, RDF switches the RDFNET process to run on the reactivated primary CPU.

If both the primary and backup CPUs of the RDFNET process fail, RDF aborts.

RDF State Transition Failure

Periods during which RDF or the updating process is either starting or stopping are known as **RDF state transitions**. In rare instances, when a primary CPU fails while RDF is either starting or stopping, it is possible that not all processes complete the stop or start operation.

To minimize the chance of encountering this kind of failure, avoid CPU reloads during RDF state transitions. Furthermore, if a CPU failure does occur during a state transition, carefully review the EMS event log for signs of incorrect behavior. If the failure occurred while RDF or the updating facility was stopping, check the Process Pair Directory (PPD) to ensure that the appropriate RDF processes all have stopped; if they have not, you must stop them manually.

If a state transition failure occurs during execution of a STOP RDF command and the operation appears to be stalled, manually stop all of the RDF processes by issuing the following command on both the primary and backup system:

```
STATUS *, PROG RDF-software-loc.*, STOP
```

For example,

```
STATUS *, PROG $SYSTEM.RDF.*, STOP
```

If a state transition failure occurs during execution of a STOP UPDATE command and the operation appears to be stalled, manually stop all of the RDF updaters by issuing the following command on the backup system:

```
STATUS *, PROG RDF-software-loc.RDFUPDO, STOP
```



CAUTION: Issuing this command in this situation is only safe, however, if this is the backup system for a single RDF environment.

Problems Involving TMF

TMF Audited Volume Failure

RDF can recover from a failure of a TMF audited volume on the primary or backup system. If the volume is successfully recovered by volume recovery, then you do not have to perform any special RDF procedures.

TMF Subsystem Failure on the Primary System

RDF can recover from a TMF failure on the primary system if the TMF volume recovery operation is successful after the failure. To perform this recovery:

1. Stop RDF on the primary system by entering the following command through RDFCOM:

```
] STOP RDF
```
2. Restart TMF by entering the following command sequence through TMFCOM:

```
~DISABLE DATAVOLS *  
~START TMF
```

Notice that these commands prevent any disk volumes on the local system from being enabled for TMF operations before starting the subsystem.

3. Reenable all pertinent disk volumes for TMF operations by entering the following command through TMFCOM:

```
~ENABLE DATAVOLS *
```

When this command is executed, TMF performs its volume recovery operation on the audited volumes, and RDF reads the audit during this operation.

4. Restart RDF through RDFCOM by entering:

```
] START RDF
```



NOTE: Normally you start RDF before starting your applications. If the TMF subsystem has crashed on the primary system, however, characteristics of the TMF audit trail after the TMF subsystem is restarted require that you restart your applications **before** restarting RDF. This allows audit records to be generated in the MAT and any auxiliary audit trails involved in your RDF environment. At that point you restart RDF.

If you started RDF before starting your applications, you might notice that the auxiliary extractor continues to read the same data over and over again without moving forward. To correct that situation, you merely stop and then restart the RDF subsystem.

5. Restart your applications.

TMF Subsystem Failure on the Backup System

RDF can recover from a TMF failure on the backup system if the TMF volume recovery operation is successful after the failure. To perform this recovery:

1. From the primary system, stop updating of the backup database by entering this command through RDFCOM:

```
] STOP UPDATE
```

2. Correct the problem on the backup system and recover the volume.
3. From the backup system, restart TMF on the backup system by entering this command through TMFCOM:

```
~START TMF
```

4. From the primary system, resume updating of the backup database by entering this command through RDFCOM:

```
] START UPDATE
```

Volume Recovery Processing

RDF handles volume recovery automatically.

Volume Recovery Failure

RDF cannot recover from a TMF subsystem failure if TMF cannot successfully perform volume recovery. After the TMF failure has been resolved, you must perform the following tasks:

1. Resynchronize the primary and backup databases, following procedures explained in Chapter 6 (page 157) and Chapter 7 (page 167).
2. Reinitialize RDF.

File Recovery on the Primary System

A file recovery operation occurs whenever a TMFCOM RECOVER FILES command is issued at the primary system. A simple file recovery operation does not affect RDF nor does it require database synchronization. A file recovery operation to a timestamp or a first purge, however, does require you to stop RDF, reinitialize, and resynchronize the affected files.

The file recovery TOMATPOSITION is a special usage that achieves synchronization itself. If your RDF primary system has failed, you have executed an RDF takeover operation on your backup system without RDF/ZLT, and you have subsequently brought your primary system back online, you can resynchronize the database on your recovered primary system with file recovery TOMATPOSITION. When the takeover has completed on your backup system, RDF normally logs an RDF event 888. This event provides you with a master audit trail sequence number and relative byte address that you can use for file recovery TOMATPOSITION on your recovered primary system. The result of this operation puts the database on your primary system into synchronization with the database on your backup system at the time when the takeover operation completed. If you started application processing on your backup system after the completion of the takeover operation, you then need to configure a new RDF subsystem to replicate all changes made to the database on your backup system to the database on your primary system.



WARNING! File Recovery with TOMATPOSITION should only be used when recovering your primary system after an RDF Takeover operation on your backup system. If you use the TOMATPOSITION for any other reason, it will require database synchronization just like File Recovery to a timestamp or first purge.

File Recovery on the Backup System

You are encouraged to take online dumps on your backup database on a regular basis for the following reasons:

- If you have lost your primary system and have taken over on your backup system, the online dumps can be used for any type of file recovery operation provided the redo end point is located after all audit data that was generated during the RDF takeover. For example, a file recovery to a timestamp must be to a timestamp after the time when the RDF takeover completed.
- If RDF is running from your primary to your backup system and you lose one or more disks on your backup system, you should stop the RDF updating, perform a simple file recovery on the backup system to recover the files on the affected disks, and then restart RDF updating.

You should not perform a file recovery to a timestamp, first purge, or TOMATPOSITION on your backup system if the location occurs prior to an RDF takeover location. Those file recovery operations normally are used to recover a database that has been corrupted.

Under normal circumstances, the best way to recover the backup database is to resynchronize it with your primary database. Because that can involve significant time and effort, you should consider using the following method instead (assume that the system clocks on the primary and backup systems are set to the same time):

- Stop RDF.
- Perform file recovery to a timestamp on the backup system.
- Determine the duration of the longest running transaction on your primary system. Subtract this amount of time from the time used for the start of the file recovery operation. If you don't know the duration of the longest transaction, it is better to overestimate than to underestimate (use an arbitrary number, such as 10 minutes). There is nothing wrong with initializing RDF to a point further back in time than is necessary.

- On the primary system, reinitialize RDF with the INITTIME option, specifying the calculated timestamp from the above step.
- Restart RDF.

When the updaters have caught up with transaction activity on the primary system, the backup database is once again synchronized with your primary database.

TMFCOM ABORT TRANSACTION With AVOIDHANGING Option on Primary System

Under some circumstances, the TMF Backout process on the primary system is not able to back out transactions from a data file (for example, hung transactions). If this situation arises, and if the file is protected by RDF, the user should avoid issuing the TMFCOM ABORT TRANSACTION command with the AVOIDHANGING option to abort such transactions. Use of this command makes RDF write internal entries into the ZFILEINC file on the backup RDF system, thereby stopping the purger from purging old image trail files thereafter. For details about the ZFILEINC file, see “RDF System Files” (page 362).

If possible, the user should try to resolve the cause of the Backout errors first (for example, ALTER MAXEXTENTS of the file if it is an error 45) and then issue TMFCOM ABORT TRANSACTION without any option.

If RDF internal entries are written into the ZFILEINC file due to the TMFCOM ABORT TRANSACTION command with the AVOIDHANGING option, then a "brute force" method can be used to restart the purger activity. That is, perform a PURGEDATA operation on the ZFILEINC file. This method is to be used only if the user has resolved the hung transactions on the primary system without File Recovery or Volume Recovery, and if the transactions associated with entries in the ZFILEINC file would never need to be undone on the backup system.



CAUTION: If the transaction associated to an RDF internal entry listed in the ZFILEINC file needs to be undone as a part of an RDF TAKEOVER operation, then using the above-described brute force method might corrupt the database on the backup system. It might also affect the Stop-Update-To-Time operations.

Audit Trails Pinned by RDF on the Primary System

When you start RDF, the extractor pins the audit trail file it is currently reading in order to prevent TMF from rolling that file over. This operation of pinning the audit trail file by the extractor is particularly useful if the extractor falls behind for some reason in that it keeps that audit trail file in place for the extractor, thereby allowing the extractor to resume operations immediately when the cause for it falling behind has been resolved.

When the extractor pins an audit trail file, it does this by sending a message to TMF, asking TMF to keep the file pinned until the extractor no longer needs it, so in reality it is TMF who actually pins the file on behalf of RDF. When the extractor rolls over from one audit trail file to the next, it unpins the earlier file and pins the next file.



NOTE: TMF keeps the extractor's audit trail file pinned even if you stop RDF. This ensures that the file is in the audit trail for the extractor when you next start RDF.

If TMF has an audit trail file pinned and it wants to roll over that file, then it generates a TMF event to indicate that it cannot unpin the file because it is keeping the file pinned on behalf of RDF. In this event, TMF includes in that event the name of the RDF control subvolume for the RDF subsystem that wants the file pinned. Thus you can always determine which RDF subsystem is holding up TMF.

If the extractor has an audit trail file pinned, the extractor is either stopped or stalled for some reason, and this is affecting TMF, there are two ways to unpin the audit trail file.

1. Issue the RDFCOM UNPINAUDIT command. If you have only one RDF subsystem configured on your primary system and the control subvolume is the name of the primary system, then this is a simple operation. If, however, you have multiple RDF subsystems configured on the primary system, each with its own set of extractors, then you may need to issue the UNPIN audit command for each RDF subsystem. You do this by starting RDFCOM, and then for each RDF subsystem you issue the OPEN command with the name of RDF subsystem's control subvolume, and then issue the UNPINAUDIT command. When you have issued the UNPINAUDIT command for each control subvolume, then the file is unpinned by TMF.
2. Issue the STOP TMF command. While stopping RDF does not unpin an audit trail file, stopping TMF does.

There is a special circumstance that has caused trouble for some customers. Assume you are running RDF to protect your primary database. Now assume that someone configures a small RDF test subsystem, starts that test subsystem, stops it, and then deletes the RDF control subvolume on the primary and backup systems to eliminate all vestiges of that test subsystem. In doing this, the person performing the test has omitted one critical task - issuing the UNPINAUDIT command for that subsystem before deleting the control subvolume. Why is this a problem? Remember that when this RDF test subsystem was started, its extractor pinned the current audit trail file, and this file remains pinned even after that RDF subsystem was stopped. To complicate this problem further, the control subvolume was deleted. To recover from this problem, recall that TMF generates an event when it cannot unpin a file because of RDF and recall that the control subvolume for the RDF subsystem that has the file pinned is named in the event. In this example, however, the control subvolume does not even exist because it was deleted at the end of the test. If you find yourself in this situation, then you must configure an RDF subsystem with the name of the control subvolume listed in the TMF event. Once you have configured it, you can then issue the RDFCOM OPEN command, specifying this control subvolume and then issue the UNPINAUDIT command.



CAUTION: To avoid problems like that described immediately above, always be sure that you issue the UNPINAUDIT command before you delete an RDF control subvolume.

Stopping RDF

If the communications lines between the primary and backup systems are up, there are two ways to stop RDF:

1. Issue a STOP RDF command on the primary system.
2. Issue a TMFCOM STOP TMF command on the primary system. After the RDF updaters have reached the TMF shutdown record, RDF stops and then TMF stops.

If the communications lines between the two systems are down and you want to stop RDF, you must issue the STOP RDF command on both the primary and backup systems.

Stopping RDF leaves the backup database in an inconsistent state and also leaves the audit trail file last opened by the extractor pinned.



CAUTION: If the primary system crashes, RDF processes on the backup system remain running. If you do not execute a takeover and are able to bring the primary system back up, you must stop the RDF processes on the backup system **before** you restart RDF on the primary system. While the primary is down issue STOP RDF on backup. Otherwise, issue the following TACL command on the backup system: STATUS *, PROG, \$SYSTEM.RDF.*, STOP (assuming the RDF SOFTWARELOC is \$SYSTEM.RDF).

For each shutdown procedure, the RDF receiver and updater processes write their current context information to the RDF context file before stopping. If you restart but do not reinitialize RDF, the product retrieves the context information from the context file. The context information

enables the RDF processes to resume processing where they stopped before the shutdown, unless an audit trail file that RDF needs has been purged and cannot be restored to disk.

Stopping RDF by Stopping TMF

The reason for stopping RDF by stopping TMF is to ensure that the primary and backup databases are logically identical when the shutdown is complete (RDF has applied all changes to the backup database). That will be the case, of course, only if all the updater processes stopped at the shutdown record (if an updater experiences a double CPU failure, the databases will not be identical). The disadvantage of this approach is that all applications on the primary system that use TMF must be stopped also.

Stopping TMF also automatically unpins all audit trail files that were pinned on behalf of RDF.

When you issue a TMFCOM STOP TMF command, the following events occur:

1. TMF writes a shutdown record to the MAT. When the master extractor reads the shutdown record, it notifies the monitor that TMF has stopped.



NOTE: If the extractor process falls way behind TMF because the communications lines to the backup system have been down and come up again, it can take some time for the extractor to get to the TMF shutdown record. The extractor stops processing the audit trail files when it cannot communicate with the receiver and resumes processing when the communications lines are restored.

2. The master extractor stops as soon as the master receiver replies that it has processed the TMF shutdown record.
3. The RDFNET process (if there is an RDF network) does not wait for any other process to stop; it merely stops when informed to do so.
4. If updating is enabled, each updater process stops when it reaches the TMF shutdown record in its image trail.
5. The purger stops after all the updaters have stopped.
6. The receiver(s) stop when the purger has stopped.
7. The monitor stops after all the other RDF processes have stopped.

If you stop TMF and then restart it before RDF can read the shutdown record, RDF stops when it encounters the shutdown record. If that happens, you need to issue a START RDF command to restart RDF.



NOTE: TMF does **not** start RDF, which means that if you start TMF, you must then explicitly start RDF.

If the communications lines are down when you stop TMF, the extractor continues to run, but it will not recognize that TMF is shut down because the extractor does not read the data in the MAT until the extractor can transmit data to the receiver on the backup system. If the extractor is not reading the MAT, it cannot encounter the TMF shutdown message. Two situations could arise:

- If the communications lines come back up before you restart TMF, RDF encounters the TMFCOM STOP TMF record in the MAT and then stops processing.
- If the communications lines are down and you feel you really must stop the RDF system irrespective of the TMF shutdown record, you must issue the STOP RDF command on both the primary and backup systems. In this case, RDF stops processing without reading to the TMF shutdown record in the MAT.

When you restart TMF, you must then restart RDF. RDF begins processing at the point where it stopped. When RDF reads the TMF shutdown record associated with the preceding TMF shutdown, RDF shuts down. You must then restart RDF again by issuing another START RDF command.

When you shut down RDF by issuing a TMFCOM STOP TMF command, you can use successive STATUS RDF commands to determine when all of the RDF processes have stopped.

Stopping RDF From the Primary System

When you issue the STOP RDF command on the primary system, all RDF processes stop immediately without processing to the end-of-file mark in the MAT (except the updaters, which might continue for a short while to finish up their work in progress).

While RDF is running, the database on the backup system is always in an inconsistent state because updaters apply audit asynchronously with regard to one another. When you stop RDF by issuing an STOP RDF command, the updaters stop immediately and they leave the backup database in an inconsistent state. This is also true whenever you issue the STOP UPDATE command.

To stop the RDF and put the primary and backup databases into logically identical states (the data is the same although the physical structure of the files may differ between primary and backup), you must execute the following steps:

- Issue a TMFCOM DISABLE BEGINTRANS command on the primary system. This command prevents the applications from initiating any new transactions until you issue a TMFCOM ENABLE BEGINTRANS command.



CAUTION: If the starting of new transactions is disabled, applications could abort unless they have been coded to handle that situation.

- Issue TMFCOM STATUS TRANSACTIONS commands and wait until the display shows no transactions in progress.
- Issue STATUS RDF commands and wait until all of the RDF Time Delay (RTD) times are zero.
- Issue the STOP RDF command.



NOTE: Even when no TMF transactions are in progress, TMF periodically writes control points to the MAT, which means that the MAT continues to fill even when no application activity occurs. This can cause RTD times in the status display to fluctuate.

For an alternate method of bringing the backup database to a consistent state, see “Access to Backup Databases with Stable Access” (page 150).

When you issue a STOP RDF command from the primary system, the following events occur:

1. RDFCOM sends a STOP message to the monitor.
2. The monitor sends stop messages to the extractor(s), the receiver(s), the purger, the updater(s), and, if there is an RDF network, the RDFNET process.
3. The monitor stops after all RDF processes have stopped.

If the communications lines between the two systems are down when you issue the STOP RDF command, the monitor tells the extractor to stop and writes an error message for every process running on the backup system that the monitor could not access; the monitor then stops itself. If this situation occurs, you must use RDFCOM on the backup system to stop the remaining RDF processes before you can restart RDF.

Stopping RDF From the Backup System

If you issue a STOP RDF command on the primary system when the communications lines are down, then you must also do so on the backup system. That is the only time you should ever issue a STOP RDF command on the backup system.

RDF can recover from a communications line failure, as explained in “Responding to Operational Failures” (page 125).

When you issue a STOP RDF command on the backup system, RDFCOM attempts to contact the RDF monitor on the primary system. After discovering that the monitor is not accessible, RDFCOM sends individual stop messages to all RDF processes on the backup system.

If RDFCOM can contact the monitor on the primary system, the STOP RDF command is aborted.

To stop the RDF processes on the backup system, RDFCOM must be able to locate the RDF control subvolume (whose name is the same as that of the control subvolume on the primary system). You must explicitly specify the control subvolume name when you start the RDFCOM session. For example, if the associated primary system is named \DALLAS and you did **not** specify a suffix in the INITIALIZE RDF command, start the RDFCOM session on the backup system:

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>RDFCOM DALLAS; STOP RDF
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If the associated primary system is named \DALLAS and you specified the suffix "3" in the INITIALIZE RDF command, start the RDFCOM session on the backup system:

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>RDFCOM DALLAS3; STOP RDF
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An alternative way to stop RDF on the backup system is to enter the following command through TACL:

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>STATUS *, PROG RDF-software-loc.*, STOP
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CAUTION: Issuing this command in this situation is only safe, however, if this is the backup system for a single RDF environment.

Stopping RDF Using STOP RDF, DRAIN

As stated above, stopping TMF shuts down RDF and it guarantees that the backup database is then logically identical to the primary database. If, however, you have several different applications running on your primary system, each working on its own database, and if not all are protected by the one RDF subsystem, then you may not want to stop TMF just to shutdown the RDF subsystem. In this situation, you can use the STOP RDF, DRAIN command, but you must observe the following sequence of steps.

1. Stop the application that is updating your RDF-protected database.
2. Enter the STOP RDF, DRAIN command.

In response to the DRAIN command, the extractor marks its location in the audit trail when it receives notice of the operation, and the updaters do not shut down until they have processed all audit up to that location. Finally, the purger process generates RDF event 852 to notify you that the operation has completed. Since your application has previously stopped, your backup database is now logically identical to your primary database that is protected by this RDF subsystem, and you have not had to stop TMF to get into this state. When you are ready to restart RDF, just enter the START RDF command and it will resume where it left off last.



CAUTION: If you do not stop the application that is updating your RDF protected database until after you have issued the STOP RDF, DRAIN command, then the backup database has low probability of being logically identical to the primary database after RDF shuts down. If this happens and the application is still down, then just restart RDF and then enter a new STOP RDF, DRAIN command after the Extractor shows an RTD time of 0:00.

Stopping RDF using STOP RDF, REVERSE Operation

This operation is only useful for the special situation involving a switchover operation. See the section on STOP RDF, REVERSE and the Reverse Trigger further below for a description of when you would use this operation.

Restarting RDF

If you want to restart RDF and have it resume processing where it stopped at the previous shutdown, you can only do so if you have not reinitialized RDF subsystem since the shutdown. Use the START RDF command to restart RDF. RDF automatically starts with UPDATE ON unless you explicitly specify UPDATE OFF in the START RDF command.

When RDF restarts, it uses the information in the context files to determine where it last stopped, and resumes processing from that point.



NOTE: If you delete and reconfigure TMF, then you must initialize RDF.

Carrying Out a Planned Switchover

Many businesses run online transaction processing (OLTP) twenty-four hours a day. Stopping applications to perform software or hardware upgrades, repairs, or other maintenance can result in complications and inconvenience for system users. To minimize such planned outages, you can perform a planned switchover from the primary system to the backup system to keep applications running while you modify or repair the primary system.

Below, the general steps involved in coordinating a switchover of business operations from the primary to backup system and back are provided. These only address the aspects of the switchover itself with regard to RDF operation and general business operations. See the section [“How to Plan for the Fastest Movement of Business Operations to Your Backup System After Takeover”](#) further below for a variety of considerations on how to achieve the fastest possible switchover time because the same issues apply, whether you are moving business operations due to a switchover (planned outage of your primary system) or takeover (unplanned outage of your primary system).

Standard Configurations

In a standard RDF configuration (system \A the primary, system \B the backup), the steps for performing a planned switchover from \A to \B are:

1. On system \A, stop the business applications that access the primary database.
2. On system \A, issue a STOP TMF command.

TMF stops as soon as all outstanding database transactions are either committed or aborted. It then writes a shutdown record to the MAT. Subsequently, the RDF subsystem shuts down when all updater processes on the backup system (\B) have reached the shutdown record in the image trail file. At this point, the primary and backup databases are identical.

3. On system \B, note the local system time; you will need it later.
4. On system \B, restart the business applications.

At this point, the RDF subsystem is stopped, the business applications from system \A are running on system \B, and all audit records are being queued in TMF audit trails on system \B.

5. When system \A is ready to resume its normal operations, restart TMF on \A.
6. On system \B, issue an INITIALIZE RDF command using the INITTIME option and specifying the local system time you noted in step 3.

This action initializes the RDF extractor on \B so that it cannot miss any relevant audit records.

7. On system \B, configure the RDF subsystem to run from \B to \A.
8. On system \B, start the RDF subsystem. The RDF subsystem begins replicating database changes from \B to \A.

When the extractor for the new RDF subsystem running from \B to \A reports an RTD time of 0:00, then you know that extractor has caught up and you can then prepare for another switchover operation to move your application processing back to \A.

The planned switchover repeats the procedure described above, except that you reverse the roles of systems \A and \B. After doing so, RDF replication once again occurs from \A to \B.

Using STOP RDF, REVERSE and the REVERSE Trigger

The STOP RDF, REVERSE command is a special operation that helps you streamline a switchover operation to move your business operations from your primary system to your backup system because you want to perform maintenance involving only your RDF-protected database and you do not want to stop TMF. The use of the REVERSE trigger executes the various tasks that you need to accomplish the switchover. Whereas the discussion immediately above involves stopping TMF and switching over to the backup system, typically because you want to take down the primary system for maintenance, you would use the STOP RDF, REVERSE operation if you wanted to leave your primary system up and just switch your business operations involving your RDF-protected database to your backup system. For this operation to work correctly, you must execute the following steps:

1. On the primary system, stop the applications that are updating your RDF-protected database. This is imperative.
2. Watch for the extractor's RTD to be 0:00.
3. Enter the STOP RDF, REVERSE command.

When the extractor receives notice of the operation, it notes where it is in the audit trail and shuts down, and the updaters shut down as soon as they have reached the equivalent location. This is identical to the DRAIN command.

Next, RDF automatically executes the REVERSE trigger that you have configured. You would want this trigger to accomplish the same types of actions as the TAKEOVER trigger discussed further below in #9 in the section “How to Plan for the Fastest Movement of Business Operations to Your Backup System After Takeover” (page 144). Unlike with the TAKEOVER trigger, you would want to include in the REVERSE trigger the RDFCOM commands to configure a new RDF subsystem to run from your former backup system to your former primary system and then start that subsystem.

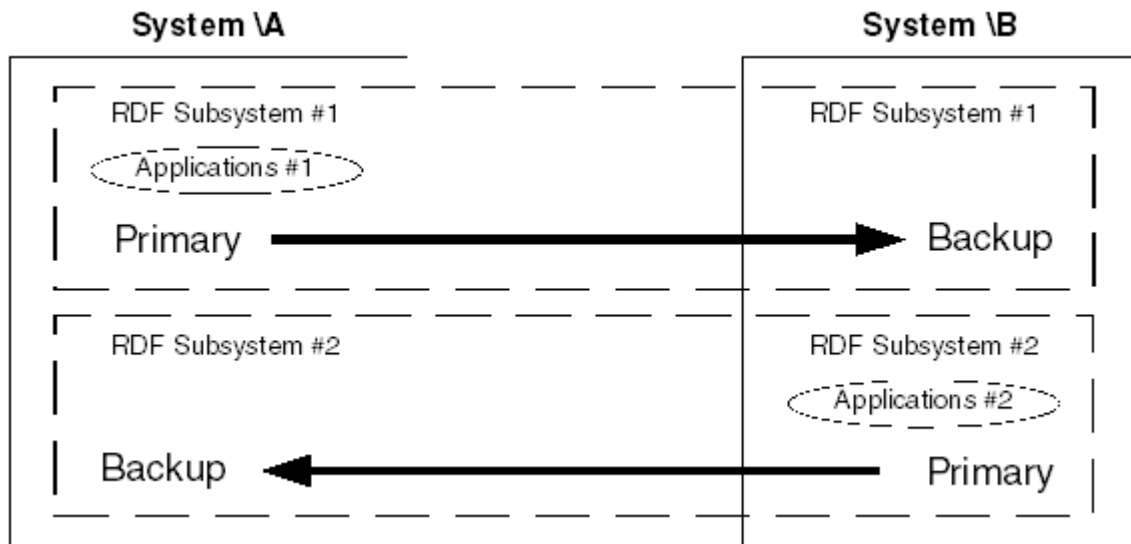


CAUTION: If you fail to stop the application associated with your RDF subsystem in step 1, the probability is high that you will corrupt your backup database. Then, if the REVERSE trigger moves application processing to the backup system and update activity is replicated by RDF back to the original primary system, you may find it very difficult to bring the two databases back into synchronization without loss of committed data.

For further information about the STOP RDF, REVERSE command and the REVERSE trigger, see the corresponding sections in “Entering RDFCOM Commands” (page 187).

Reciprocal Configurations and Switchover

In a reciprocal RDF configuration, two systems act both as a primary and as the backup to the other.



With reciprocal configurations it is imperative that you make sure the file-sets being replicated by the two RDF subsystems are absolutely independent of each other, and this can only be done in one of two ways:

1. The volumes protected by RDF Subsystem #1 are completely different from the volumes protected by RDF Subsystem #2. For example, RDF Subsystem #1 protects volumes \$DATA1-\$DATA10, and RDF Subsystem #2 protects volumes \$DATA20-\$DATA30.
2. You use INCLUDE/EXCLUDE lists to ensure complete separation. For example, RDF Subsystem #1 INCLUDES SUBVOLA.* on volumes \$DATA1-10, and RDF Subsystem #2 INCLUDES SUBVOLB.* on volumes \$DATA1-10.

Please note that in each of these configurations, there is no possible overlap of data being replicated by the two RDF subsystems in a reciprocal configuration. See Reciprocal and Chain Replication in [Chapter 1](#) for a discussion of the potential problem that can occur if you do not use one of the two methods described above.

The steps for performing a planned switchover from \A to \B in such a configuration are:

1. On system \B, stop RDF subsystem # 2. Note the local system time; you will need it later.
2. On system \A, stop the business applications that access the primary database (Applications #1).
3. On system \A, stop TMF(or if you do not want to stop TMF, use the STOP RDF, DRAIN command).
4. Wait for RDF subsystem #1 on \A to shut down.
5. On system \B, restart Applications #1.

At this point, the RDF subsystem is down on both systems, the business applications from system \A are now running on system \B, the business applications that were running on system \B are still running on system \B, and all audit records are being queued in TMF audit trails on system \B.

6. When system \A is ready to resume its normal operations, restart TMF.
7. On system \B, restart RDF subsystem #2 (the RDF subsystem that replicates data from \B to \A for the business applications that normally run on \B). The subsystem resumes its processing exactly where it was when you stopped it in step 1.
8. On system \B, initialize RDF subsystem #1. In the INITIALIZE RDF command, include the INITTIME option and specify the timestamp you noted in step 1. Configure the subsystem to replicate data from \B to \A for Applications #1 (the business applications that were moved from system \A to system \B).

When the extractor for RDF subsystem #1 reports an RTD time of 0:00, then you know that extractor has caught up and you can then prepare for another switchover operation to move your application processing back to \A, as follows:

1. On system \B, create an audited Enscribe file on each data volume in the RDF subsystem #1 configuration.
2. Wait until all of those files are created on system \A.
3. On system \B, stop RDF subsystem #1.
4. Purge the Enscribe files on both systems.
5. On system \A, initialize RDF subsystem #1 using the INITTIME option and specifying the current (for \A) local time.
6. On system \A, restart Applications #1.



NOTE: There are variety of variations you can do to achieve the above operations. The method provided above is just one means to achieve this.

Takeover Operations

If the primary system fails and you want to switch application processing to the backup system, you need to issue the TAKEOVER command on the backup system. The TAKEOVER command causes RDF to shut down after bringing the backup database to a consistent state.

The RDF Takeover Operation

When updating is enabled, updaters apply audit as soon as it is safe-stored in the image trails on the backup system. In this respect, they apply audit without waiting to determine if the associated transactions committed or aborted. At the moment when you lose your primary system due to some unplanned outage, the updaters might have applied audit for transactions whose outcomes were not resolved (committed or aborted) on the primary system at the time the primary system failed. Alternatively, the transactions might have been resolved on the primary system, but the extractor was stopped before it could send the final outcomes to the backup system. The takeover operation determines what audit needs to be backed out in order to bring the backup database into a stable and consistent state. Audit is backed out of the backup database during three possible undo passes, described below. With proper configuration of the RDF/ZLT product, no transactions that were committed on the primary system are ever lost due to an unplanned outage that requires an RDF takeover operation. There are special considerations that pertain to the Takeover command in a ZLT environment. See [Chapter 17](#) for details.

With the RDF/IMPX product, it is possible that some transactions that committed on the primary system might be lost due to an unplanned outage. How many committed transactions are lost depends entirely on whether the extractor was keeping up at the time of the outage or whether the extractor had fallen behind for some reason.

When the takeover operation completes, your backup database is in a consistent and stable state with regard to transactions that committed on your primary system.

Phase One Undo Pass

This is also known as Local Undo. Audit can be backed out of the backup database for two possible reasons.

- If an updater has applied audit for a transaction whose outcome is unknown, that audit must be backed out.
- If RDF is replicating audit from aux audit trails and if the final outcome is known, but not all of the audit for the transaction from an aux trail reached the backup system, that audit must be backed out.

Transactions that must be undone during this undo pass are stored in the ZTXUNDO file in your Master Image Trail subvolume. You can use the READLIST utility to see what transactions were undone by this Local Undo operation.

Phase Two Undo Pass

This is also known as File Undo. If one or more volumes failed on the primary system and a transaction aborted, the TMF Backout process will backout the transaction on the volumes that are still up, but it will be unable to backout the audit on the volumes that are down. If the downed volumes come back online, the TMF Volume Recovery process backs out the audit that the Backout process could not back out. If, however, the primary system failed before Volume Recovery had enabled the downed volumes, then, if you execute the RDF Takeover operation on the backup system, the updaters execute an undo pass that will undo the audit that Volume Recovery would have undone on the primary system if it had been able to.

Transactions that must be undone during this undo pass are stored in the ZFILUNDO file in the Master Image Trail subvolume. You can use the READLIST utility to see what transactions were undone by this File Undo operation.

Phase Three Undo Pass

This is also known as Network Undo. If you are running in an RDF network and you lose one or more primary systems, you must do a takeover on all backup systems in your RDF network. For a complete description of the takeover operation in an RDF network, see “RDF Takeovers Within a Network Environment” (page 298).

Transactions that must be undone during this undo pass are stored in the ZNETUNDO file in the Master Image Trail subvolume.

Issuing the TAKEOVER Command

Before you issue a TAKEOVER command on your backup system, you need to start an RDFCOM session for the correct control subvolume. For example, if you were running RDF from \Boston to \London and the control subvolume was BOSTON, then you would enter the following RDFCOM command to the TACL prompt on \LONDON:

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> RDFCOM BOSTON
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The Takeover command has the ! option (see the syntax for this command in [Chapter 8](#)). If you do not include the ! sign, then RDFCOM tries to see if the monitor and extractor are still running on the primary system. If it can access the monitor or extractor because the primary system is still running, then RDFCOM aborts the command immediately. If you include the ! option, then RDFCOM does not try to reach the monitor and extractor on the primary system. The ! option also determines whether or not you are prompted to confirm your intention of performing the Takeover operation, a topic discussed a little further below.

It is highly recommended that you do not use the ! option because it prevents the Takeover command from getting started if the primary system is still running. If this is the case and if you execute the Takeover operation anyway, the result is that the primary and backup databases become out of synchronization.



NOTE: If you do not use the ! option and if the primary system is down, then RDFCOM will need to wait for the Expand level-4 timer to expire. This timer is usually set to 4 or 5 minutes, and this means that the actual takeover processing does not commence until after the timer expires. Compared to all the other non-RDF tasks that need to be completed before you can resume application processing on your backup system, this short delay may not even be noticed.

If the communication lines are down or the monitor and extractor have failed when you issue the TAKEOVER command, RDF executes the command on the backup system:

- If RDFCOM finds that the primary system is down or that the monitor and extractor do not exist, then, depending on whether you included the ! option or not, RDFCOM prompts you to confirm that you want the Takeover operation to proceed.
 - If you did not include the ! option, then RDFCOM reports several informational messages and then asks the following prompt: "Are you sure you want to TAKEOVER?" You respond with "yes" or "no". If you respond "no", the operation immediately terminates.
 - If you did include the ! option, then you are not prompted and the operation proceeds.
- If RDF is running with updating off, RDFCOM stops the receiver and purger processes, and then it starts a local RDF monitor process on the backup system in takeover mode. The monitor then starts the receiver, purger, and all updater processes. (The name of this monitor on the backup system is generated by the system.)
- If RDF had been stopped, RDFCOM starts the monitor in TAKEOVER mode. The monitor then starts the receiver, purger, and all updater processes. (The name of this monitor is generated by the system.)

If a monitor process was started on the backup system, the monitor stops after the other RDF processes have all shut down.

The following example shows how to use the TAKEOVER command when RDF is running with updating enabled. The command sequence in the example causes the backup system \TORONTO to take over processing from the primary system \SANFRAN.

1. At the TACL prompt on the backup system (\TORONTO), start an RDFCOM session and specify the control subvolume name:

```
>RDFCOM SANFRAN
```

2. At the RDFCOM prompt, issue the TAKEOVER command:

```
] TAKEOVER
```

RDF displays the following prompt message:

```
*** TAKEOVER assumes a disaster on \SANFRAN has occurred.  
Are you sure you want to TAKEOVER?
```

3. To proceed with the takeover operation, enter Y or YES.

To abort the takeover operation, enter N or NO.

After you enter your response, RDFCOM returns its prompt. Once the Takeover operation is underway, you can use the STATUS RDF command to determine the progress of the takeover operation. If the takeover operation is still in progress, RDF displays the current state as "TAKEOVER IN PROGRESS."

When the takeover operation finishes, RDF displays a message such as the following in response to the STATUS RDF command:

```
STATUS RDF (\RDF04 -> \RDF06) is NOT running  
An RDF TAKEOVER has completed  
Safe MAT position is SNO 1, RBA 87876660  
MAT position for File Recovery: SNO 1, RBA 87876740
```

By using the TAKEOVER ! version of the TAKEOVER command you eliminate the Expand level-four timer and the prompt.

For super fast takeover, see “How to Plan for the Fastest Movement of Business Operations to Your Backup System After Takeover” (page 144).

Issuing the TAKEOVER Command in an Obey File

You have the following three options to issue the TAKEOVER command through an OBEY file.

1. As stated in the section entitled “Using RDFCOM Noninteractively (without an IN File)” (page 102), you can issue RDFCOM commands in a TACL obey file or a script file. You issue the command as follows:

```
RDFCOM <control-subvol-name>; Takeover !
```

Please note that you run this command on the backup system and that the `<control-subvol-name>` is the name that identifies the specific RDF subsystem for which you want to execute the Takeover command. It is suggested that you use the ! option for simplicity. Otherwise you must configure your script file to handle the prompts that RDFCOM asks when executing the Takeover command.

2. The second option is to write the TAKEOVER command appended with the bang (!) character in an EDIT file and OBEY the file from the RDFCOM prompt.

For example, consider an EDIT file RDFTKOV that has the following content:

```
TAKEOVER !
```

Now, you can obey the file RDFTKOV from the RDFCOM prompt, as shown below:

```
RDFCOM] obey RDFTKOV
```

3. The third option is to write the TAKEOVER command appended with the bang (!) character in an EDIT file and pass it as an IN file to RDFCOM.

For example, consider an EDIT file RDFTKOV has the following content:

```
TAKEOVER !
```

Now, you can use the EDIT file RDFTKOV as an INFILE to RDFCOM, using the following command:

```
RDFCOM /IN RDFTKOV/
```



NOTE: RDFCOM does not allow the TAKEOVER command without the bang (!) character when issued in an IN file / OBEY file.

Monitoring Takeover Outcome

You can monitor the status of RDF takeovers by issuing a STATUS RDF command on the backup system or by examining the events in the EMS log.

When all of the updater processes have stopped, the purger logs either the RDF event number 724 or 725 before stopping. Event 724 indicates that the takeover completed successfully. Event 725 indicates that it did not, and you should reissue the TAKEOVER command. Event 724 is always followed by event 735, which indicates the last MAT position seen by the receiver process. The 735 event is used primarily for triple contingency. These events will be followed by either RDF event 888 or 858. See “Restoring the Primary System” for more information.

For RDF network takeover considerations, see Chapter 14 (page 295).

For super fast takeover, see “How to Plan for the Fastest Movement of Business Operations to Your Backup System After Takeover” (page 144).

Takeover Failure

If a double CPU failure occurs and any RDF process pair fails during the takeover operation, you can restart the operation just by entering the TAKEOVER command through RDFCOM again. You can ascertain that a takeover operation failed by issuing a STATUS RDF command and getting a response such as the following:

```
STATUS RDF (\RDF04 -> \RDF05) is NOT running  
A partial RDF TAKEOVER has completed
```

Also, a takeover failure generates RDF event 725 in the EMS log.

Monitor Considerations

Whether the RDF monitor was started when the initial TAKEOVER command was executed or not, this process is always started when the TAKEOVER command is reissued.

Updater Considerations

When the purger shuts down at the end of the takeover operation, it examines the context record of each updater process to determine if that updater has processed all applicable audit data through to end-of-file in the image trail. If all updaters have processed through to end-of-file, the purger logs a 724 message to the EMS event log, indicating that the takeover operation completed successfully. But if it determines that one or more updaters have terminated prematurely, the purger logs RDF Event number 726 for the first updater that failed and then logs RDF Event number 725, a general message indicating that the takeover operation did not complete successfully. If these messages appear in the EMS event log, you must reissue the TAKEOVER command.

Takeover and Triple Contingency

If you have configured two RDF subsystems for Triple Contingency, then when both takeover operations complete you must examine the RDF event 735 on each backup system. If both report the exact same MAT position, then you can designate either system as your new primary, configure a new RDF system to run from this new primary to the backup, and then resume application processing on the new primary with full RDF protection.

If each reports a different MAT position, then go to the backup system with the lowest MAT position and execute the COPYAUDIT command (see [Chapter 10](#) for details). The COPYAUDIT command will copy over all additional audit that the other backup system has. When the command completes, you then enter a new Takeover command on the local system. When it completes, the two databases are in complete synchronization and you can then resume application processing on either backup system, as indicated above.

Checking Exception Files for Uncommitted Transactions

Exception files are used by updaters to store information about each audit record that the updater undoes during the three possible undo passes. An exception record logs information about a specific audit record that the updater has undone. This may or may not be useful information for you. If the volume of audit is small, then logging an exception record for each record undone might have only a slight performance impact during the takeover operation. If, however, the volume of audit to be undone by an updater is large (for example, thousands of records), then logging an exception record for each record undone could slow down the takeover work of each updater.

You can choose whether you want an exception record for each audit record undone during the takeover operation when you configure the RDF UPDATEREXCEPTION attribute. If you set it ON, the updater logs an exception record for each audit record on which it executes undo. If set OFF, then an exception record is only written for the first and last audit records undone. If you set UPDATEREXCEPTION OFF, you can still determine which transactions were undone by using the READLIST utility to read the undo files.

Your database administrator can use the RDFSNOOP utility to examine exception records in exception files. For information about RDFSNOOP, see Appendix B (page 359).



CAUTION: The absence of exception file records after a successful takeover operation does not necessarily indicate that the backup database is logically identical to the primary database. It is possible that no audit data reached the backup system for some transactions committed on the primary system. That is, the transaction was started and committed, but the primary system failed before the associated audit was transmitted to the backup system.

How to Plan for the Fastest Movement of Business Operations to Your Backup System After Takeover

The following discussions should be carefully considered when setting up your RDF environment because spending the time to do that will then simplify and speed up your ability to takeover and resume business operations on your backup system after you have lost the primary to an unplanned outage. The same considerations also apply to orchestrating a planned switchover.

1. RPO and RTO

RPO stands for Recovery Point Objective and represents how much audit you are willing to lose in the event of an unplanned outage of your primary system. Your objective is to have the highest possible RPO, meaning you will lose the least amount of data. RDF/IMPX already delivers the maximum RPO that any asynchronous replication product can deliver on NonStop by virtue of RDF's private audit reading logic, which allows it to move audit off of the primary system faster than any other product, thereby minimizing loss of data. With the RDF/ZLT product, there is no loss of data at all.

RTO stands for Recovery Time Objective and represents how much time you can afford to be down before resuming business operations on your backup system. Your objective should be to have the lowest possible RTO. While the RDF takeover operation itself normally takes only a small number of seconds, there are many other issues to consider in order to achieve an optimal RTO, and this is the focus of the discussion that follows. As a rule, the more you plan in advance, the more you can lower your RTO.

2. Be Sure You Have All You Need

While RDF keeps your backup database up to date, there are doubtless many other files and objects you need on your backup system in order to resume business operation there. Use the NonStop AutoSync product to move and/or keep up to date your unaudited files, such as text files, scripts, executable objects, applications, etc. Be sure you have every file that you need on your primary system also on your backup system. Failure to move all files to your backup system and keep them up to date may lead to lengthy delays in your ability to resume business operations on your backup system.

3. Takeover regular online dumps of your backup database

A simple example provides the best explanation for this recommendation. Assume for the moment that you never take online dumps, you lose your primary system, you execute the RDF takeover command, you resume business operations on your backup system, and then you encounter a complete media failure of one or more disks on which your database resides. Without online dumps, you may never be able to recover the lost data.

Therefore, taking an online dump before resuming business operations is important, but when do you do it? If you wait until after the RDF takeover operation has completed, then it could take many hours before the online dumps complete, and only then would it be safe to resume business operations. Thus, not taking regular online dumps of your backup database can lead to a significant length of time before you can safely resume business operations on your backup system. If, however, you take regular online dumps of your backup database as well as take audit dumps, then you can start business operations as soon

as the RDF takeover operation completes and you will have full TMF protection. For more details see the discussion on “TMF and Online Dumps on the Backup System” (page 154).

4. Most customers require a high-level decision to takeover on the backup system; this is not an automated decision for the majority of RDF users; most require an executive level decision to takeover.
 - a. Make sure your system operators have a hierarchical list of who to contact in case of the loss of your primary system. This will save time in getting executive authorization and initiating the takeover on the backup
 - b. Determine in advance what constitutes a failure of the primary system so that the process for escalation to the executive decision level can be started as soon as possible.
 - c. If the criteria for determining a failure is complicated, write it down; the last thing you want to do during a real disaster time is to try to remember everything.
5. Have a solid disaster recovery plan in place that covers all the different tasks that need to be done in order to switch operations to the backup. Write out all of your disaster recovery plans to avoid having to recall them from memory when your anxiety is already high as a result of the unplanned outage.
6. If you have command and control files on your primary system that are copied to your backup as part of your RDF set up, be sure you revise these on your backup system to reflect the hardware and software configurations on your backup system. For example, if you have a fewer CPUs on your back up system, be sure that your command and control scripts do not contain references to CPUs that exist on the primary but not on the backup. Be sure you have replaced all references to the name of the primary system with the name of the backup system in command and control files.
7. RDF does provide the “!” option on Takeover command. If specified, it eliminates the user prompt and it eliminates the check to reach the primary system, thereby eliminating the Expand level-4 timer. But, before you use this option, you should consider the following points:
 - a. How do you know if the primary system is down? By having RDFCOM check to see if the primary system is accessible, you avoid starting a takeover operation by mistake. While the check does involve the Expand level-4 timer wait (5 minutes by default), you should not lower that timer because it can have many other side-effects that you do not want.
 - b. For the majority of RDF users, issuing the RDF Takeover command is neither an automated operation nor is it typically executed without high-level approval, often executive level. Depending on the time of day or evening when the outage occurs, it may take much more time than the level-4 timer delay, thereby making that delay inconsequential.
8. For the typical SQL requestor-server environment, you can start servers on both primary and backup systems at all times, but you must ensure that ensure no work is ever routed to servers on the backup system.
 - a. SQL files are only opened on demand; hence by having your servers up and running on your backup system at all times, you can avoid the time it takes to start them when you encounter a takeover or switchover situation. It does mean that when you eventually route work to these servers after a takeover or switchover, it may take time to have them open up the backup database, but you avoid the cost of a cold startup.
 - b. Similarly, start Pathway servers and freeze them before they open any files; this eliminates having to cold-start them after a takeover or switchover.
 - c. If you use the same application for query processing as well as read/write access, and you are already performing query processing on your backup database, you will need to have the application close all files currently open for read-only access, and then reopen them for read/write access after the RDF takeover. In this sense, it may be

advantageous to have one application that performs query processing and another that does read/write operations.

- d. If your applications have files open for read access, then your operations staff can close files and/or restart the applications while the decision is made to takeover or not.
 - If not takeover, then allow query processing to resume, as normal;
 - If takeover, then you have already closed the files and you can proceed with next tasks need to commence work on your backup system.
9. For Enscribe files, applications typically open these before starting work; the points raised for 8c and 8d above apply here as well.
10. After RDF Takeover, use scripts to automate the remaining tasks that need to be done as quickly as possible. These tasks typically involve the following:
 - a. Typically the most complicated task in moving business operations from the primary to the backup system is switching your communications lines. Automate this as much as possible by writing one or more scripts to handle the switching programmatically.
 - b. Update statistics for SQL tables? You are advised to keep these as up to date as possible during normal operations. You must stop the updaters to do this, but perhaps it could be scheduled during periods of low updater activity.
 - c. Recompile SQL applications? Use CHECK INOPERABLE PLANS (NonStop SQL/MP feature that starts auto recompilation). If you use NonStop AutoSync, you can configure a trigger that will automatically start recompilation whenever NonStop AutoSync copies a new version of the object to the backup system.
 - d. Does your data have the primary system's node name and/or number embedded in the data? If yes, you may need to run a script that will change the name and number to those of the backup system.
 - e. Handle any issues involving file opens if these have not already been addressed while waiting for takeover authorization.
 - f. Handle any tasks that pertain to your specific operations. There may be any number of things to be done. One task, for example, may be to determine what transactional work was either never completed on the primary at the time of the disaster and what was undone by RDF during the takeover; this allows you to determine what work you might need to have your applications reprocess on the backup system.
 - g. If your Pathway servers are frozen, thaw them now.
 - h. Route work to servers on backup system if this is a separate step from step "f".
11. If you set up an RDF takeover trigger, RDF automatically executes the trigger's script immediately after the successful completion of the RDF takeover. This script might handle all or many of the different tasks listed above. Alternatively, when you know the RDF takeover has completed successfully, you can execute such a script yourself. You can determine the outcome of the RDF takeover in the following ways:
 - a. RDFTKOV file can be used as a semaphore; this file in the control-subvolume is empty when created (EOF is 0) and stays empty until an RDF takeover has completed, at which time RDF writes a short text message to signal the takeover has successfully completed. You might want to write a program to monitor this file and, as soon as EOF changes to a non-zero value, have your program execute your script.
 - b. Write a process that monitors the RDF event log for RDF event 724 (RDF Takeover Completion event) and execute you script.
12. Test Your Switchover/Takeover Procedures

You may not know whether you have everything you need on your backup system to move business operations from your primary system to your backup until you perform that task. If you wait until you actually encounter a disaster and must move business operations to the backup system, you may find that you are missing important items that you need. Therefore, the best way to be certain is to perform either a takeover or switchover operation

in order to resume business operations on your backup system. Do it when you can schedule down time or do it during periods of low activity. Since a lot can change over the course of a year, it is a standard disaster recovery practice that you perform this exercise at least once a year. The age old adage is "practice makes perfect", and this certainly applies here. An annual test run can mean a considerable difference between a lengthy RTO versus a rapid RTO. The latter is always the goal, so one test a year is a small price to pay for the assurance that you have everything you need and that your switch from the primary to the backup goes as smoothly as possible. Secondly, practicing the movement of business operations from your primary system to your backup promotes faster and smoother switchover operations when you need to take down your primary system to perform software or hardware upgrades.



NOTE: A common myth in the data replication arena is "an Active-Active environment is what I want, then my takeover and switchover testing is easy", and a myth this is. For most NonStop users, the hardest part of switching from the primary to the backup is dealing with the communications switching. Active-Active requires dealing with the same issues up front in order to set up an Active-Active environment in the first place, and a switchover operation involves the same issues for being able to route all work to one side or the other.

Some suggestions for how to set up your test are as follows:

- Down CPUs 0 and 1 on your primary system to simulate an unplanned outage
 - Execute the RDF Takeover operation
 - Execute the various scripts you have to resume business operations on your backup system
 - Test your applications against your backup database
 - When you have finished your testing, clean up the backup database
 - Either make your backup system your new primary, or switch business operations back to your original primary system.
13. Suggestions for cleaning up your backup database after a test.
- a. If your database is small, you might just resynchronize it from your primary system.
 - b. If synchronization is not an option, then you can use the TMF Recover Files to Time facility by observing the following steps:
 - After completion of the RDF takeover operation and before starting your testing, create an audited Enscribe file and take note of the system time.
 - Perform your test, including running your applications with test data.
 - Verify that all is running correctly
 - Stop your applications
 - If your testing involved unaudited files, restore these to their pre-test state.
 - Execute a TMF Recover Files to Time operation, specifying the timestamp obtained above after creating the Enscribe file.
 - If you had brought your primary system down after stopping your applications, then you are ready to reinitialize RDF and restart it to run from primary to backup
 - If you had practiced an actual unplanned takeover while your applications were running, then read the subsequent section on Restoring the Primary System.

Restoring the Primary System

After you initiate a takeover, it is possible that the last committed transactions on the primary system did not make it to the backup system (meaning that the backup and primary databases are not synchronized). When the failed primary system is restored to operable condition you have two methods of resynchronizing your primary database with your backup database where your applications are now running. One method is online, and the other is offline.

If the takeover completes on the backup system, the purger logs an RDF event 888 specifying a MAT position (*sno*, *rba*). Subsequently, when the primary system is once again online and you are ready to switch the applications back to the primary, you first initiate a TMF file recovery command on the former primary system, using the TOMATPOSITION option with the MAT position from the 888 event. TMF restores the primary database to the exact same state that the backup database was in when the takeover operation completed.



NOTE: You always use the logged MAT position from the 888 event message to initiate the file recovery operation, even if the RDF configuration is replicating auxiliary audit trails.

You then configure the RDF subsystem to run from the backup to the primary system to bring the primary database back up to date with updates that took place while the primary was down.

When the primary database is fully current, you can then perform a planned switchover from the backup to the primary system, and restart your applications on the primary system.

If the purger issues an 858 event message, file recovery on the primary system is not possible. This is only possible during a Takeover operation that involves an RDF network. See the discussion in Chapter 14 on how this situation can happen.

Online Method of Resynchronizing the Primary Database

When an RDF takeover operation completes, the purger process logs the RDF event 888, which specifies a Master Audit Trail position. On your primary system, you can then execute TMF File Recovery with the TOMATPOSITION option. This option requires a MAT position, and you use the position in the RDF Event 888. When File Recovery completes, the database on your primary system is in complete logical synchronization with the database on your backup system at the time when the RDF takeover operation completed. If you had resumed business operations on your backup system, run a new RDF configuration to bring the old primary system up to date with the business operations that have taken place on the old backup system. When RDF has brought the former primary up to date, you can then perform a switchover operation to move business operations to the former primary.

If you have an RDF Network, there are some situations where File Recovery with the TOMATPOSITION option is not possible. If that is the case, RDF logs an RDF Event 858 at the end of the takeover operation.

Offline Method of Resynchronizing the Primary Database

After a takeover and when the failed primary system is restored to operable condition, you can take the following steps to restore the original RDF configuration and make the old primary database the current primary database again (where \A is the old primary system and \B is the old backup system):

1. Stop the applications and TMF on \B.
2. Save the database on \B to tape or use NonStop AutoSync to put a copy of your backup database on your primary system.
3. Restart the applications and TMF on \B.
4. Initialize RDF on \B to the shutdown timestamp generated in Step 1.
5. Configure RDF to go from \B to \A.
6. Start RDF (\B to \A) with update off.
7. Restore the database on \A.
8. Turn on updating.
9. When RDF has caught up, do a planned switchover from \B to \A (as described earlier).

If you have an RDF Network, there are some situations where File Recovery with the TOMATPOSITION option is not possible. If that is the case, RDF logs an RDF Event 858 at the end of the takeover operation.

Reading the Backup Database (BROWSE versus STABLE Access)

Unlike databases protected by TMF, backup databases for RDF protection have no locks on rows or records, even while these rows or records are being updated. Therefore, applications can read the backup databases at any time; the data can, however, be inconsistent because reading and updating can occur simultaneously.

Except immediately after a takeover operation, after the updaters have stopped as the result of a STOP TMF command, or after the updaters have stopped as the result of a STOP UPDATE, TIMESTAMP command (discussed further below), you only have the equivalent of BROWSE ACCESS to the backup database. BROWSE ACCESS, a NonStop SQL/MP access option for transaction consistency, provides immediate access to the data; however, the data can be inconsistent because a transaction might not be completely applied to the backup database when the query is in progress. This access provides the lowest consistency but the highest concurrency.

Immediately after a takeover operation or after the updaters have stopped as the result of a STOP TMF or STOP UPDATE, TIMESTAMP command, you have the equivalent of STABLE ACCESS to the backup database; at those points, the backup database is consistent with regard to all transactions whose outcomes (commit or abort) are known at the backup system.

The following example shows the kind of data inconsistency that can occur if the backup database is read while the database is being updated:

Suppose that a file named FILEA resides on \$VOL1 on the primary system and that a file named FILEB resides on \$VOL2 on this primary system. Suppose transaction number 50 causes changes to both FILEA and FILEB on the primary system.

Now suppose that the updater for \$VOL1 has processed transaction 50, but the updater for \$VOL2 has not.

If the backup database is read at this point, the database reflects the incomplete updating for transaction 50.

To read the backup database while RDF is running, your application should open the backup files with SHARED READ-ONLY access.

Near Real Time Read Access to Updates on the Primary System

The receiver configuration option FASTUPDATEMODE (formerly known as SLOWMODE) controls the frequency with which the receiver writes to the image trails and makes image trail audit available to the updaters. With FASTUPDATEMODE OFF, the default value, the receiver buffers the audit sent by the extractor and writes those buffers out to the image trails at the most convenient time. This ensures that RDF can achieve the highest possible extractor-to-receiver throughput, but it does delay the updaters in how quickly they are allowed to read and apply the audit to the backup database. One can typically observe updater RTD times cycle from 1-20 seconds, although it may only take an updater a fraction of one second to apply 20 seconds worth of audit.

With FASTUPDATEMODE ON, as each receiver receives an extractor message, it buffers all the audit sent in that message by the extractor, writes those buffers immediately to the image trails, and then immediately makes that data available to the updaters. Depending on the value of the UPDATERDELAY attribute in the global RDF configuration record, the updaters can then read the image trails and apply the freshly written audit to the backup database immediately, thereby keeping updater RTD times to the lowest possible value. Because the receiver writes the audit immediately to the image trails after processing each extractor message, having FASTUPDATEMODE set ON can also impact extractor-to-receiver throughput.

For a complete discussion of FASTUPDATEMODE, see the description for this attribute under the SET RECEIVER command in [Chapter 8 “Entering RDFCOM Commands”](#). While having FASTUPDATEMODE turned on does give you read access to data freshly committed on the primary system as soon as possible, please note that the option still only provides you with BROWSE access.

Access to Backup Databases with Stable Access

Because the RDF updaters work asynchronously with respect to one another and to transaction boundaries, when you use the backup database as a read-only resource you are almost always accessing an inconsistent database, meaning that you normally only have Browse access to the backup database. The following discussions provide three means of achieving Stable access to your backup database without having to perform an RDF Takeover operation.

Stopping TMF on the Primary System

One way to ensure that the backup database is in a logically consistent state with respect to transaction boundaries is to stop TMF on the primary system (requiring that you first bring down all protected applications). For most customers this is unacceptable except under the most extreme circumstances.

Using the STOP RDF, DRAIN Command

If you cannot stop TMF on your primary system, but you can stop the applications that are updating your RDF-protected databases, then you can achieve STABLE access to the backup database by performing the following steps.

1. Stop the applications that are updating your RDF-protected database on your primary system.
2. Issue the RDFCOM STOP RDF, DRAIN command.
3. When RDF has shut down, it will have applied all committed audit for transactions that completed on the primary system prior to stopping your applications in Step 1.

STOP UPDATE to a Timestamp

A timestamp attribute is provided with the STOP UPDATE command to allow you to stop the updaters on the backup system at a consistent point without affecting TMF or any applications on the primary system.

The format of the timestamp attribute is the same as that used for RDF initialization (20JUN2004 12:48, for example). When you include the timestamp, its value must be based on the time of your primary system and must be at least 5 minutes in the future. The updaters will apply all audit associated with transactions that committed prior to the timestamp you specify. For any audit the updater may have applied prior to stopping its redo pass but where that audit is associated with a transaction that committed at the stop time or after, the updater executes an undo pass to back that audit out of the database. When you next restart the updaters, they begin applying the audit that they had previously backed out during the undo pass. For example, if the current time on the primary system is 11:30, and you want to bring the backup database to a stable state that includes all transactions that are committed before noon on June 21, 2004, you would issue this command through RDFCOM:

```
RDFCOM; STOP UPDATE, TIMESTAMP 21JUN2004 12:00
```

If the specified timestamp is not at least five minutes greater than the current time, RDFCOM aborts the command and displays the following message:

```
The specified timestamp must be at least five minutes greater than the current time.
```

The STOP UPDATE command itself is logged to the EMS event log under the general RDF message 835. As each updater reaches an audit record whose transaction committed at or after the specified timestamp, the updater terminates its redo pass and logs the following RDF event in the EMS log:

```
785 Redo pass ending on reaching timestamp timestamp.
```

Because the updater may have applied some audit for transactions that had not yet committed at the specified timestamp, it then executes an undo pass to undo those specific records. For the undo pass, the purger builds an undo list based on those transactions that the updaters need to

undo, the updaters read this list, and they read backwards in the image trail, performing logical undo operations on those records that need to be backed out.

The following example illustrates the effect of a STOP UPDATE, TIMESTAMP command. In the example, *t+number* indicates a transid, and the timestamp below reflects the time of most recent commit or abort record in the audit trail.

```
RDFCOM; STOP UPDATE, TIMESTAMP 20JUN2004 12:00
```

commit	update	update	update	update	update	update	commit	update	commit	update	commit
t0	t1	t2	t3	t1	t2	t3	t1	t2	t2	t3	t3
11:50	11:50	11:50	11:50	11:50	11:50	11:50	11:59	11:59	12:00	12:00	12:01

The updater applies all image audit until it reaches the last update for t3 because this image record contains the timestamp of the last commit record seen by the extractor when it sent the record to the backup system, the commit of T2, and the updater ends its redo pass here because this timestamp is greater than or equal to the specified stop time in the STOP UPDATE command. Observe that the updater has applied audit for T1, T2, and T3, but also observe that the transactions T2 and T3 committed at or after the stop time. The purger builds the undo list to back out all audit associated with transactions T2 and T3, and the updater then starts an undo pass to undo audit it had previously applied for these two transactions. When the updater shuts down, the backup database is in a completely consistent state and contains only data for transactions that committed before 12:00.

When the updater shuts down, it keeps track of the last record it undid - in our example it is the first update for T2 at 11:50. Then, when you restart the updaters, the updater position to this same record in the image trail and commences doing normal redo operations going forward. Thus, even though the Stop Update to Time operation had caused some audit to be backed out, when you restart the updaters, these updaters reapply all audit they had previously undone, and the database stays in a state of synchronization with the database on the primary system.

If you erroneously set the timestamp too far into the future (for example, 26DEC3000), the only way to correct this mistake is to enter a STOP RDF command, restart RDF, and reenter the STOP UPDATE command with the correct timestamp.

See also the description of the STOP UPDATE command in [Chapter 8 \(page 187\)](#).

RDF and NonStop SQL DDL Operations

When you must perform NonStop SQL DDL operations, many of these DDL operations require that you stop your applications before performing those operations, while other DDL operations can be performed online, without stopping your applications, by using the SHARED ACCESS option. Because RDF does not replicate NonStop DDL operations, you must carefully coordinate performing any DDL operation to ensure that the tables and indexes on your backup system stay in synchronization with those on the primary system.

When you perform NonStop SQL/MP DDL operations such as the following, you can either include or omit the WITH SHARED ACCESS option:

- The CREATE INDEX statement, used when creating an index on a table
- The MOVE clause of the ALTER TABLE or ALTER INDEX statement, used when moving, splitting, or merging disk file partitions, or when moving boundaries within partitions

To determine all of the NonStop SQL/DDL operations that can be performed WITH SHARED ACCESS, see the *SQL/MP Reference Manual* and the *SQL/MX Reference Manual*.

When included, the WITH SHARED ACCESS option specifies that the DDL operation is to allow concurrent read-write Data Manipulation Language (DML) access and read-only utility access to the objects on which it operates during all but the final phase of the operation. For this reason, operations specifying the WITH SHARED ACCESS option are sometimes referred to as Online DDL operations.

The only operations that must be performed WITH SHARED ACCESS are merge partitions and move boundaries. It is recommended that you perform all other operations with nonshared access.



NOTE: When you make DDL changes to your primary database, you can use the NonStop SQL DDL Replicator product to replicate NonStop SQL/MP DDL changes to your backup database automatically, instead of you having to perform those changes manually on the backup system. Please note that the NonStop SQL DDL Replicator product does not replicate NonStop SQL/MX changes.

Performing Nonshared Access DDL Operations

For DDL operations that do *not* include the WITH SHARED ACCESS option, you can minimize outage for the primary system applications:

1. Stop the applications that use the database being protected by RDF.
2. Stop TMF on the primary system.
3. Wait for RDF to stop.
4. Start TMF.
5. Start RDF with updating disabled.
6. Perform the DDL operations on the primary system.
7. Restart the applications.
8. Perform the same DDL operations on the backup system.
9. Issue an RDFCOM START UPDATE command.

Database administrators with a clear understanding of the underlying TMF auditing issues might elect to skip some of these steps as long as the DDL operations and other audited operations are performed in the correct sequence on the primary and backup systems. For example, it is not absolutely necessary to stop TMF (and thus RDF), but it is safest to do so. As long as application processing is stopped and the display from a STATUS RDF command shows that the RTD time for every updater process is zero, the DDL operations can be safely applied.

Performing Shared Access DDL Operations

DDL operations that include the WITH SHARED ACCESS option and are performed on the primary system generate a special Stop-RDF-Updater audit record in the MAT. As each updater on the backup system encounters that record in its image trail file, that updater logs either an RDF Event 733 or 931 and then shuts down. When all of the updaters have done so, RDF logs a Event 908 indicating that it is now safe to perform the same DDL operation on the backup system. When you have performed the same DDL operation on the backup system, you can then issue the RDFCOM START UPDATE command.

If RDF aborts while the updaters are in the process of shutting down, check the RDF log to see if RDF generated event 908. If it did, then:

1. Issue a START RDF, UPDATE OFF command on the primary system.
2. Perform the DDL operation(s) on the backup system.
3. Issue a START UPDATE command on the primary system.

Whether or not RDF aborted while the updaters were shutting down, if one or more updaters did *not* generate event 733, the purger process logs RDF event 905 indicating that you must not perform the DDL operation on the backup system. If that happens, issue either a START RDF command (if RDF was aborted) or a START UPDATE command (if the non updater processes are still running). When you do this, only those updaters that did not log the RDF event 733 are started. When they reach the Stop-RDF-Updater record, they shut down, and the purger once

again checks to see all updaters have processed all image audit up to this special record. When the purger generates the RDF event 908, you are now ready to perform steps 2 and 3 above.



CAUTION: While the NonStop SQL products allow a DDL change with Shared Access where the target is located on a different node, RDF does not support this. Consider an example where you gave a Table X on your RDF primary system \A and you want to create a new partition for the table on \B. It makes no difference whether you have an RDF network configured or not because RDF cannot support a Shared Access operation where the target of the operation is on a different node. The reason for this is that TMF only generates the Stop-RDF-Updaters record on the node where the source object of the operation is performed, in this case on \A. This means that even if the target node of the operation is also RDF protected, there is simply no way to coordinate updaters to shutdown on the backup of the target node because that Stop-RDF-Updaters record is never seen by the updaters on the RDF backup system of \B.



NOTE: If you use the NonStop SQL DDL Replicator product to replicate your NonStop SQL/MP DDL changes that include the WITH SHARED ACCESS option, this product only replicates the DDL change when it sees that RDF has generated the 908 event. When it finishes the DDL operation on the backup system, it automatically restarts the updaters. Thus the use of this product can simplify your manual operations.

Network Configurations and Shared Access NonStop SQL DDL Operations

Under certain circumstances, takeover network undo processing after having performed a shared access NonStop SQL/MP DDL operation can lead to an abort with database corruption.

You can, however, avoid that situation entirely by using the protocol described in “Network Configurations and Shared Access NonStop SQL/MP DDL Operations” (page 303) when performing shared access NonStop SQL/MP DDL operations in a network environment:

RDF and NonStop SQL/MX Operations

For particular information about replicating NonStop SQL/MX objects, see Chapter 16 (page 323).

Backing Up Image Trail Files

The RDF image trail files exist strictly for use by the receiver, purger, and updater processes, and should not be explicitly opened by RDF users for any reason, including backup to tape. Once the receiver has processed an image file, this file might no longer serve a purpose (except in the case of triple contingency where the file might be used in a COPYAUDIT operation). In particular, image files are not like TMF audit files; they cannot be used to restart RDF in the same way that audit files are used to restart TMF. Typically, image files should only be accessed by RDF itself or by RDF specialists and support people.

However, if you do want to back up image trail files at your site, you should be aware of the way RDF accesses these files and the ramifications of this access. When the receiver updates an image trail file, it opens that file with shared read/write access. When updaters read image records from an image trail file and apply them to the backup database, they open the image trail file with shared read-only access. When the RDF purger process determines that a particular image trail file is no longer needed by any updater, it purges that file unless the current RETAINCOUNT precludes doing so. If you want to back up an image trail file, you should hold that file open to prevent the purger from purging it until your backup is complete.

For a successful backup, follow these steps:

1. Execute a process that opens the image trail file with shared read access. This can be a simple process that you supply to perform only this operation. When the purger determines that all updaters are finished with this image trail file (named, say, AA000007), and have moved on to the next image trail file (named, say, AA000010), then it might try to purge AA000007. The purge operation will fail, however, because your process still has AA000007 open. The purger will terminate the purge attempt and try it again later. As long as your process keeps AA000007 open, the purger cannot purge it.
2. When the purger tries to purge AA000007 and fails, it writes a message denoting this error to the EMS event log. This message implies that all updaters have moved from AA000007 to AA000010 (or beyond), and will never need AA000007 again; it is your only way to know for certain that AA000007 will never be needed again. When this message is written, you can start the backup process to dump AA000007 to tape.
3. When the backup process opens AA000007 and the backup is in progress, you can stop the file-opening process run in Step 1. The purger will continue its attempts to purge AA000007, but these attempts also will fail as long as the backup process has AA000007 open. Eventually, when the backup is complete and AA000007 is successfully copied to tape, no processes will have this file open. After this point, the purger will be able to purge AA000007 successfully.

Repeat the preceding steps for each image trail file you want to back up.

TMF and Online Dumps on the Backup System

While taking online dumps of your backup database on your backup system is not required, you are nevertheless strongly urged to do so for the following two reasons:

- If you were to have the complete failure of both mirrors of an updater's volume on your backup system, you can perform a TMF Recover Files operation to recover the files onto a new disk. Without the online dump, you will have to stop RDF, reinitialize RDF, and then perform a partial database synchronization, online or offline (see [Chapter 7](#)). If your database files are smallish, then perhaps database synchronization is a more viable solution to recovery from a media failure. If your database files are very large, then TMF File Recovery might be an easier and faster way to rebuild the file set on the affected disk.



NOTE: Using TMF online dumps to recover files updated by RDF for any other reason does not work because RDF updaters apply audit to the backup database with a completely different transaction profile. For example, suppose you have discovered data corruption in the database on your primary system, you can use TMF Recover Files to a timestamp on your primary system, but you then cannot do the same operation on the backup system to recover the backup database to the same location as on your primary system. For this type of File Recovery, you will have to resynchronize the affected files on your backup system with the newly recovered files on your primary system.

- Having online dumps of your backup database can allow you to start application processing on your backup system much faster when you experience a planned or unplanned outage of your primary system. See the related discussions in “[Carrying Out a Planned Switchover](#)” and “[Takeover Operations](#)” sections.

To take online dumps of your backup database, you must first alter the global RDF UPDATEROPEN configuration attribute to SHARED with RDFCOM.

```
] ALTER RDF UPDATEROPEN SHARED
```

By default, the RDF UPDATEROPEN attribute is set to PROTECTED, and this is the recommended value. When the dump has completed, you can then alter the attribute back to PROTECTED or PROTECTED OPEN. Previously you needed to stop the updaters before modifying this attribute, but you can now modify it online, without stopping the updaters. See the SET RDF command in [Chapter 8](#) for further details.

Of course, if you are taking online dumps of your backup database, you must also configure TMF to perform audit dumping either to tape or disk.

Doing FUP RELOAD Operations With Updaters Running

Because the backup database is audited by TMF, you cannot do FUP RELOAD operations on it unless you have altered the RDF UPDATEROPEN attribute to SHARED. Previously you needed to stop the updaters before you could alter this attribute, but RDF now allows you to do this online. It is recommended that you alter the attribute back to PROTECTED or PROTECTED OPEN when you have finished the FUP RELOAD operations. The following RDFCOM commands achieve this alteration:

```
] ALTER RDF UPDATEROPEN SHARED  
] ALTER RDF UPDATEROPEN PROTECTED
```

Exception File Optimization

The RDF exception files reside in the control subvolume on \$SYSTEM. The name of each is the name of the updater's volume on the primary system.

Each updater maintains an exception file in which it identifies every audit record that must be undone on the backup database during a takeover. Typically records must be undone because the outcome of the associated transaction is unknown. When protecting auxiliary audit trails, however, the outcome of a transaction might be known (a COMMIT record is present in the Master Image Trail), but if audit for the transaction is missing from an auxiliary audit trail then the transaction must be undone during the Takeover operation.

If you are protecting only MAT volumes, the amount of undo required during a takeover is usually small. If one or more long-running transactions are active at the time of a takeover, however, the amount of undo required can increase substantially (depending upon the amount of audit records generated by those transactions).

If you are protecting auxiliary audit trail volumes, a considerable amount of undo could also be required if any of the extractor-receiver pairs (master or auxiliary) falls behind the others prior to the Takeover operations.

If you have configured an RDF network to replicate network transactions, a considerable amount of undo could also be required if any of the nodes in the network falls behind the others prior to a takeover.

In any case, if an updater has a large number of audit records to undo during a takeover, the performance of its undo pass is negatively affected by logging exception records. Therefore, the manner in which exception files are used is a configurable attribute.

To set this attribute, use the following RDFCOM command:

```
SET RDF UPDATEREXCEPTION {ON | OFF}
```

When this attribute is set to ON (the default value), the updater logs an exception record for every audit record it must undo during a takeover.

When this attribute is set to OFF, the updater logs exception records only for the first and last audit records that must be undone (the minimum logging necessary to support Triple Contingency operation).

Switching Disks on Updater UPDATEVOLUMES

The SCF PRIMARY DISK command causes the disk process to switch to the backup CPU. If you need to perform this switch on an updater's UPDATEVOLUME, you should always issue a STOP UPDATE command first, then issue the SCF PRIMARY DISK command next, and then issue a START UPDATE command.



NOTE: If you enter the SCF PRIMARY DISK for an updater's UPDATEVOLUME, the affected updater might report a number of RDF 700 events with the file-system errors 10, 11, and 71. If these errors occur, they will be reported immediately following the disk primary event. In this situation, these errors can be expected and they do not indicate that the backup database has become inconsistent with the primary database. To avoid these errors, always stop the updaters first, issue the SCF PRIMARY DISK command, and restart the updaters.

Online Remirroring of Updater SUBVOLUMES

If you attempt to re-mirror an updater's UPDATEVOLUME online, the affected updater might report a number of RDF 700 events with the file-system errors 10, 11, and 71. In this situation, these errors can be expected and they do not indicate that the backup database has become inconsistent with the primary database. To avoid these errors, always stop the updaters first before remirroring the disk.

6 Maintaining the Databases

A vital task in working with RDF is to keep the backup and primary databases synchronized with each other. This chapter, which is intended for database administrators, includes these key topics:

- “Understanding Database States” (page 157)
- “Making Changes to Database Structures” (page 159)
- “Resynchronizing Databases” (page 164)

Understanding Database States

It is important to understand the terms used to describe the different states of a primary database and its associated backup database. The following illustrations show synchronized and unsynchronized databases.

In the illustrations, \PRIMARY indicates the primary system and database, and \BACKUP indicates the backup system and database. Tx indicates the data associated with a committed transaction. In some illustrations, the extractor and updater process operations also appear.

Figure 6-1 shows synchronized databases where RDF has just been initialized and the application on \PRIMARY is going to be started. The databases are synchronized because they contain the same logical data and no audit has been generated.

Figure 6-1 Synchronized Databases Before Starting RDF

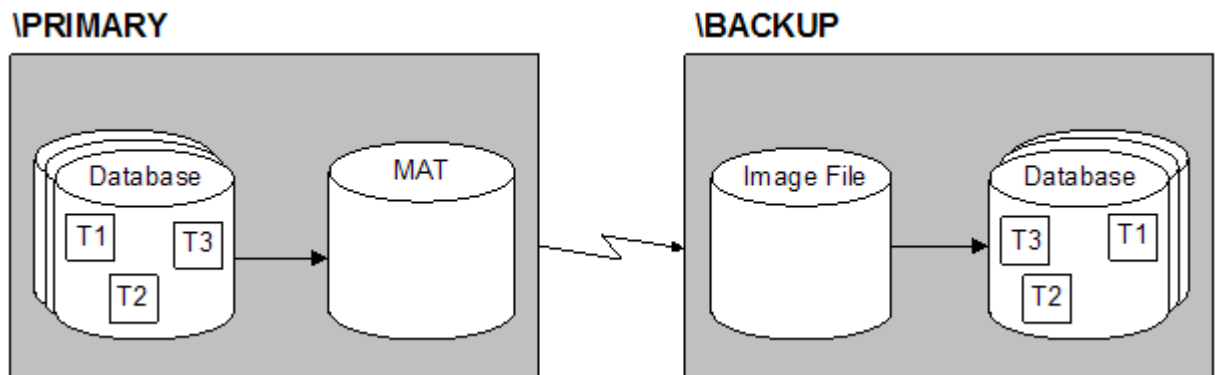


Figure 6-2 shows synchronized databases where the application is running on \PRIMARY, three more transactions (T4, T5, T6) have occurred, and RDF is in the process of applying the data records for these transactions to the backup system. Transaction data for T4 has been applied to the backup database. The data for T5 is still being applied to the backup database, and the data for T6 has not yet been sent to the backup system.

Although transactions T5 and T6 have not yet been applied to the backup database, the primary and backup databases are synchronized in that the only thing delaying the two databases from being logically identical is the fraction of a second it takes the extractor and updaters to catch up with the MAT.

Figure 6-2 Synchronized Databases During RDF Operations

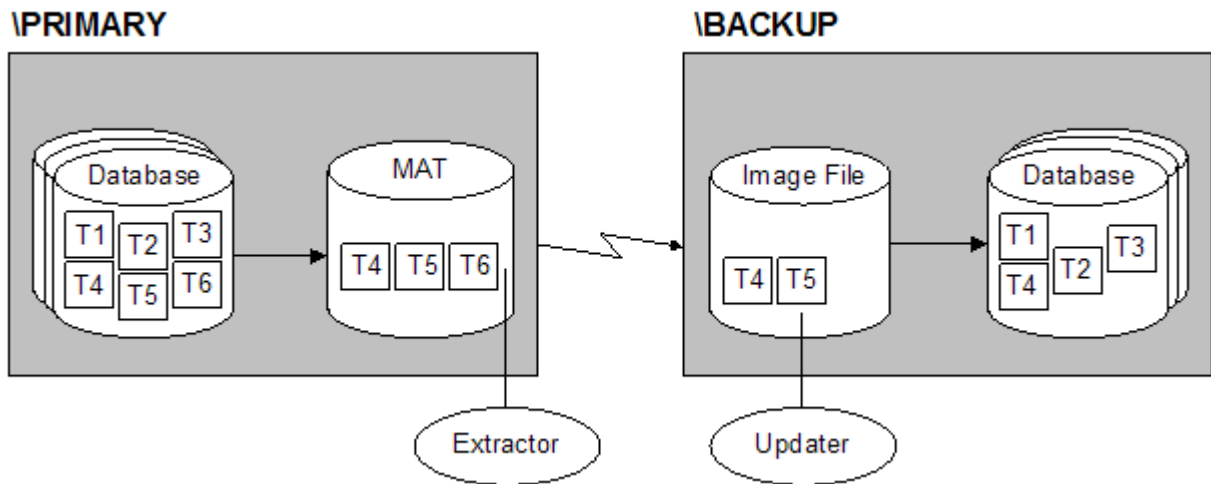


Figure 6-3 shows synchronized databases where the application is running on \PRIMARY and the transaction data for the three new transactions has been applied to the backup database.

Figure 6-3 Synchronized Databases, No Outstanding Audit

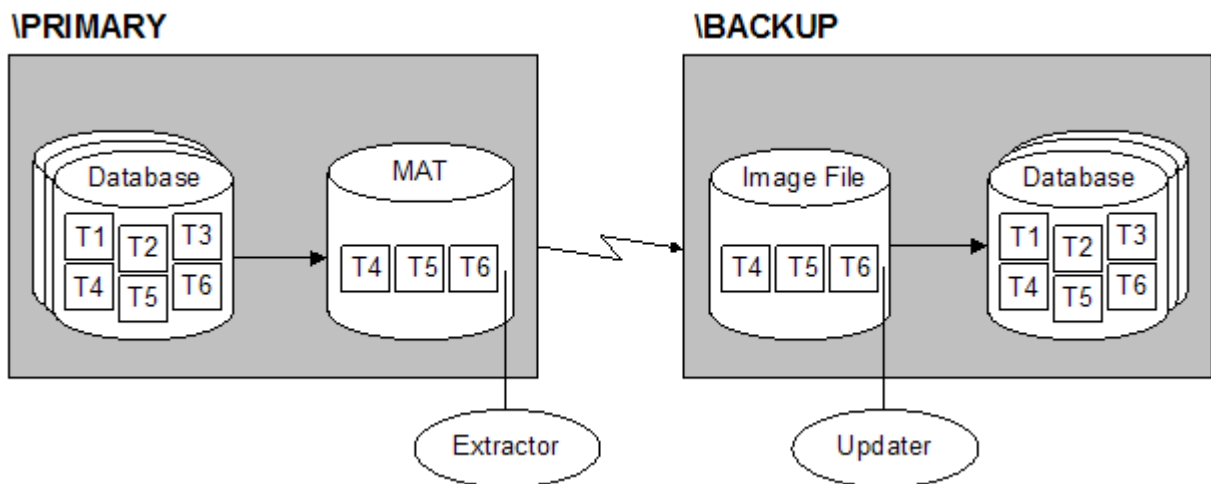


Figure 6-4 shows synchronized databases where TMF has just been shut down. The databases are synchronized because RDF applies all audit generated on \PRIMARY to the backup database before the subsystem reads the TMF shutdown record and subsequently shuts down (the databases are not, however, logically identical until RDF has actually shut down).

Figure 6-4 Synchronized Databases After STOP TMF Command

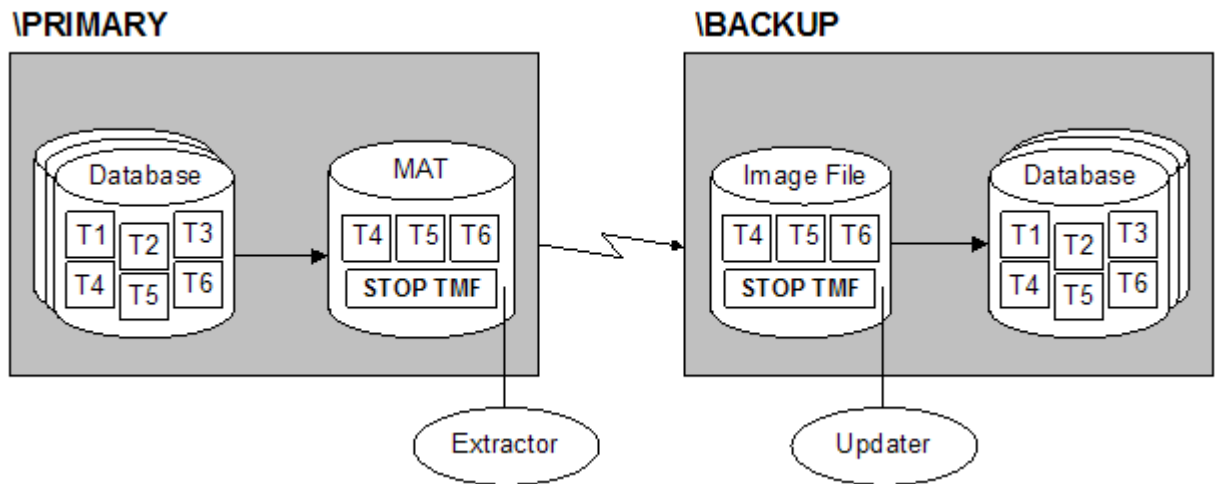
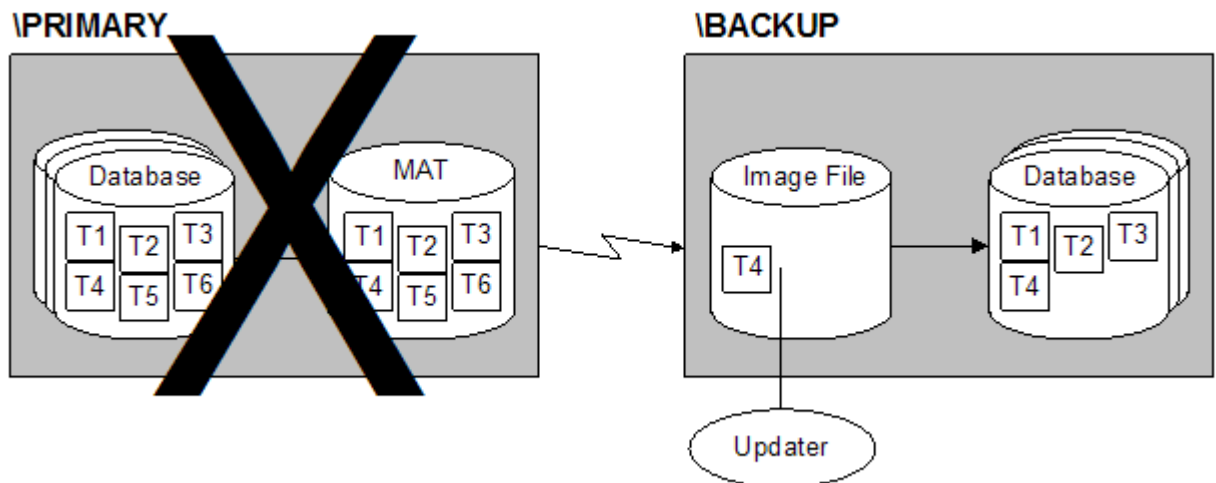


Figure 6-5 shows unsynchronized databases. In this figure, T5 and T6 (transactions 5 and 6) have not been transmitted to the backup system because of a physical disaster, such as fire or flood, or because the primary or backup systems have failed. The databases are unsynchronized because transactions were committed or aborted on the primary system before an unexpected shutdown, and the extractor cannot transmit the commit or abort status records for those transactions (T5 and T6) to the backup system.



NOTE: If you have not lost your primary system to a disaster, then, when the failed system comes back online and RDF is restarted, RDF will put the backup database into synchronization with the primary when it has caught up.

Figure 6-5 Unsynchronized Databases



Making Changes to Database Structures

When you change the structure of a database on the primary system, you also need to change the structure on the backup system.

NonStop SQL/MP or NonStop SQL/MX Databases

For NonStop SQL/MP or NonStop SQL/MX databases, changes you need to perform manually on the backup system include:

- Catalog changes
- Results of DDL operations, including creating or altering tables and views
- Partition key changes
- Table purges

Catalog Changes

RDF regards NonStop SQL/MP and NonStop SQL/MX DDL operations like updates to SQL catalogs. Although SQL catalogs are audited tables, RDF does not replicate catalog changes. The reason for this is that catalog data has embedded data that contains system name and number information as well as volume and subvolume information. When an operation on the primary system also involves changing a catalog there, RDF cannot replicate that audited operation because it would require that RDF transform the internal information within the data of the audit records, replacing the system name and number information as well as perform volume mapping if required. The RDF product does not perform data transformations, and therefore RDF does not create catalogs or replicate catalog changes.

The following guidelines apply to creating catalogs:

- If a catalog exists on a volume protected by RDF, this catalog should also be present on the corresponding volume on the backup system.
- To avoid errors, create a catalog on the backup system before creating it on the primary system. If audit data is generated for a primary catalog before the corresponding backup catalog exists, every audit record for the catalog causes a file open error.

Updater processes check for catalog tables, which have a file code in the range 550 through 590 and 859 (ODBC catalogs). An updater does not apply any changes to a table that has a catalog file code.

An update operation to a table that does not exist causes RDF to log an RDF error message 736, citing file-system error 11, and the updater retries until the file is created by the user.

DDL Operations

Every NonStop SQL/MP or NonStop SQL/MX DDL operation performed on the primary system must also be performed on the backup system by NonStop SQL/MP or NonStop SQL/MX if any of the tables or catalogs reside on volumes protected by RDF.

Because RDF does not replicate DDL operations for SQL objects, you must perform those changes yourself on the backup system. When it is safe for you to perform those changes on the backup system without losing synchronization depends on how you performed the original operation on the primary system. With the NonStop SQL products, you have two ways to perform DDL changes - With Shared Access and without Shared Access - and the method you choose affects how you manage the operation on the backup system.

With Shared Access

These operations can be performed while your applications are running and they are closely integrated with RDF operations. Specifically, when you commit the DDL operation, a special audit record is generated. This record is sent by the extractor to the backup system, and each updater stops when it reaches that record and logs RDF event 733 to inform you that it is stopping due to Shared Access DDL operation. The purger monitors the stopping updaters and examines the details of each updater's stop. If all updaters reached the record and stopped accordingly, the purger then logs the RDF event 908. At this point, it is now safe for you to replicate the DDL change manually on the backup system. If the purger detects that some updaters had stopped prematurely (for example, double CPU failure), then it logs RDF event 905 that warns you that

you need to restart updating. When restarted, the only updaters that do any work are those that terminated prematurely last time. When they reach the special record, they stop and the purger then logs the event 908. See the section “RDF and NonStop SQL DDL Operations” (page 151) for further discussion.

Without Shared Access

For all operations that do not include With Shared Access, you must stop your applications on your primary system first because these operations are only allowed when all tables are closed. To coordinate such DDL operations in an RDF environment, you must stop your applications and then stop RDF when you are certain the updaters have applied all audit up to the point when you stopped your applications. There are two safe ways to do this: stop TMF momentarily after stopping your applications, or execute the STOP RDF, DRAIN command when you are certain your applications have all stopped. With the Stop TMF method, RDF will shut down when it has reached the stop-TMF audit record, thereby guaranteeing that all audit has been applied to the backup database up to the stop point. With the DRAIN method, RDF shuts down when the updaters have processed all audit up to the point where you issued the STOP RDF, DRAIN command, which must be issued after you stopped your applications. If no updaters stopped prematurely, the purger logs RDF event 852, and it is now safe for you to perform the same DDL change on the primary and backup systems before restarting RDF and your applications.

Adding a New Column

This is an operation that cannot be performed With Shared Access. To minimize application downtime, you can coordinate the operation as follows. Stop the RDF updaters with a simple STOP UPDATE command. When the updaters have stopped, add the column to your backup database and then restart update. Note, at this point, the new column is in the backup database but not yet on the primary. When the updaters update subsequent rows with the new column, the disk process adds the default value to the new column. Next, you perform a switchover operation (detailed in [Chapter 5](#)), start RDF on your backup system with update off, and then start your applications on your backup system. Add the column to the database on your former primary system (it is now the backup of your new RDF environment), and then START UPDATE. When RDF has caught up and at your convenience, perform a new switchover operation to move your application processing back to your primary system.

Guidelines for Create Index and Alter Table Move Operations

The following guidelines apply to NonStop SQL/MP and NonStop SQL/MX DDL operations:

- Creating an index or loading data into an added table partition does not interfere with RDF protection. Although a CREATE INDEX or ALTER TABLE MOVE FROM FIRST KEY UP TO KEY operation seems to create an audited index or partition within a transaction, only the updates to the catalog and file labels are audited. The index or partition is created nonaudited, and audit is not turned on until after the operation is complete. Performing either of these DDL operations on the backup system for a corresponding DDL operation on the primary system does not cause problems because the operation on the primary system proceeds internally:
 1. Create a nonaudited table (index or partition).
 2. Move the data without logging by TMF.
 3. Issue an ALTER TABLE *table-name* AUDIT statement for the table.

It is safe to perform these operations just like other DDL operations on the primary system.

Example for CREATE INDEX With Shared Access

This example shows the SQLCI/MXCI commands for adding an index to a table and the order of the operations:

1. Specify the default catalog for the primary system.
`CATALOG \PRIM.$DATA.DBCAT;`
2. Create an index based on first names in a database on the primary system.
`CREATE INDEX \PRIM.$DATA1.DB.FIRST
ON \PRIM.$DATA1.DB.EMPLOYEE (FIRST-NAME, LAST-NAME), WITH SHARED ACCESS;`
3. Watch for the purger to log RDF event 908.
4. On the backup system, set the default catalog for the backup database.
`CATALOG \BACK.$DATA.DBCAT;`
5. Create the index for the backup database. Note, because the updaters are stopped, you do not need to include the With Shared Access option and the operation in fact completes faster.
`CREATE INDEX \BACK.$DATA1.DB.FIRST
ON \BACK.$DATA1.DB.EMPLOYEE (FIRST-NAME, LAST-NAME);`

You should use WITH SHARED ACCESS for the CREATE INDEX operations in the above example if both RDF and the application are running.

Multiple Indexes on a Single Base Table

The following issues apply to both NonStop SQL/MP and NonStop SQL/MX.

If there are multiple indexes on a single base table, special considerations apply when you use SQLCI CREATE INDEX commands on the backup system to coordinate NonStop SQL/MP DDL operations between the primary and backup databases.

Each NonStop SQL/MP index is assigned a unique key specifier that is stored as part of the key for that index. You can explicitly define the key specifier by including the KEYTAG clause in the CREATE INDEX command. If you do not do so, then the CREATE INDEX operation assigns a numeric value based on the order of index creation (1, 2, 3, and so forth).

Because the key specifier is part of the key of every index row created on an RDF primary system, it also becomes part of the associated TMF audit record. RDF transmits the audit record to the backup system where it is then applied to the backup copy of the index.

If a CREATE INDEX command on the backup system does not include the KEYTAG clause (and if you are not extremely careful to create the indexes in the order shown by a SQLCI FILEINFO *base table*, DETAIL command on the primary system), it is possible for the key specifier of

a backup index to be different than that of the primary index. In such a case, the index rows transmitted from the primary system to the backup system will be corrupt with regard to their key values. Although the records are physically present in the index on the backup system, NonStop SQL/MP does not see them because the actual key specifier value does not match the expected one. Consequently, a FUP INFO *index*, STAT display will show the correct number of records for the index, but a SQLCI SELECT COUNT (*) FROM *index* command will return fewer rows for the index than indicated by the FUP INFO command. The row count continues to grow in the base table, but remains the same for the index.

You can avoid this problem by always using the KEYTAG clause in the CREATE INDEX command to define a meaningful key specifier for each index you create.

If you encounter the problem described above, use SQLCI to DROP and re-CREATE the offending indexes, doing so in the proper creation order. The following annotated output illustrates the necessary index creation order:

```
>SQLCI FILEINFO $DATA.RDFSQ.LMASTER, DETAIL
$DATA.RDFSQ.LMASTER
  SQL BASE TABLE
  CATALOG $DATA.RDFSQ.L
  VERSION 2
  TYPE K
  EXT ( 16 PAGES, 64 PAGES, MAXEXTENTS 160 )
  REC 416
  PACKED REC 415
  BLOCK 4096
  KEY ( COLUMN    0, OFFSET    0, LENGTH    4, ASC )
  INDEX ( 1, $DATA.RDFSQ.LMASTXYZ, <<create this index first
        COLUMN 18, OFFSET 54, LENGTH 2, ASC.
        COLUMN 19, OFFSET 56, LENGTH 2, ASC.
        NOT UNIQUE )
  INDEX ( 2, $DATA.RDFSQ.LMASTABC, <<create this index second
        COLUMN 88, OFFSET 300, LENGTH 15, ASC.
        COLUMN 87, OFFSET 285, LENGTH 15, ASC.
        NOT UNIQUE )

  AUDIT
  BUFFERED
  AUDITCOMPRESS
  SECURITY (RWE); NCNC
  MODIF: 27 Dec 1997, 20:01
  CREATION DATE: 02 Dec 1997, 12:37
  REDEFINITION DATE: 10 Jan 1998, 14:46
  LAST OPEN: 10 Jan 1998, 14:46
  EOF 466944 (2.2% USED)
  EXTENTS ALLOCATED: 160
  INDEX LEVELS: 1
  PARTITION ARRAY STANDARD
```

Partition Key Changes

If you change a key for any partition on the primary system, you must also change the key for the corresponding partition on the backup system.

Table Purges

If you use the SQLCI PURGE command to purge a protected table from the primary system, you must also purge the corresponding table from the backup system. You should not purge a table on the backup system until you are sure RDF has completed all processing on the table. The processing is complete when the RTD time is zero for the updater process associated with the table's volume. To check the RTD time, issue a STATUS RDF command.

If you purge a table on the primary system, you must not re-create it on the primary system until you are certain that the updaters have caught up, and you have purged and re-created the table on the backup system.

For NonStop SQL/MP and NonStop SQL/MX databases, RDF replicates the following file-label modification:

PURGEDATA

Enscribe Databases

For Enscribe databases, RDF replicates the following file-label modifications:

CREATE	Only when creating an audited file
ALTER MAXEXTENTS	Only when increasing the number of extents of an audited file
PURGE	Enscribe files only (if REPLICATEPURGE is enabled)
PURGEDATA	Only when purging data from an audited file

RDF does not replicate the following operations on files. If you perform any of these operations on the primary system, you also need to perform the operation on the backup system:

- File-label modifications not in the preceding list
- Partition key changes
- Alternate-key file changes

To perform DDL operations on Enscribe files that RDF does not replicate, there are two methods to coordinate the operation:

The STOP TMF Method

1. Stop application processing on the primary system.
2. Stop TMF on the primary system; wait for RDF to read the STOP TMF message in the audit trail and stop itself.
3. Start TMF on the primary system so the operations on audited Enscribe files can be performed.
4. Start RDF so that no audit trails are lost, but do not resume application processing.
5. Perform each operation on Enscribe files on the backup system and the corresponding operation on the primary system.
6. Finally, resume application processing.

The STOP RDF DRAIN Method

1. Stop application processing on the primary system.
2. When all applications have terminated, issue the STOP RDF, DRAIN command.
3. Perform the DDL operation on the primary system.
4. When the purger has logged RDF event 852, perform the same DDL operation on the backup system.
5. START RDF on the primary system.
6. Start application processing on the primary system.

Resynchronizing Databases

There are two ways of resynchronizing your primary and backup databases: offline and online. With offline resynchronization you must first stop your applications and TMF on the primary system. With online resynchronization, however, you can resynchronize entire databases, selected volumes, a single volume, or individual tables and files while your applications continue to run on the primary system.

The remainder of this chapter describes how to do offline resynchronization. For information about online resynchronization, see [Chapter 7 \(page 167\)](#).

To resynchronize the primary and backup databases, you need to make all backup database files or tables logically identical to the primary database files or tables when there is no audit data to be processed for the files or tables. If you know which files or tables are not synchronized, resynchronize the databases only on the volumes that contain those files or tables.

There is no audit data to be processed for a volume at the following times:

- Immediately after TMF has been started for the very first time and no applications have been started yet
- When the RTD time is zero for the volume's updater process, and no audit data is being generated by any application while the files or tables are being duplicated
- When TMF is stopped (without the ABRUPT option)

Make sure the primary and backup databases are synchronized if any of the following should occur:

- A TMF file recovery operation to a timestamp or to first purge occurs, after which only the affected database tables or files need to be resynchronized.
- Asterisks (****) appear in the final column of the STATUS RDF display, indicating that an updater process has experienced an unexpected file-system error.



NOTE: Resynchronization is not always necessary, however, after a file-system error in an RDF process. For example, an updater process reporting an error 122 will restart.

- TMF is deleted and reconfigured, or RDF is reinitialized, after a STOP RDF command is issued at the primary system.

If RDF fails and reports an event whose recovery text indicates that database resynchronization is required, you must resynchronize the backup and primary databases.

Resynchronizing Entire Databases Offline

To resynchronize an entire database offline, you must stop TMF, initialize RDF to the TMF shutdown timestamp, and then copy the complete database from the primary system to the backup system.

Alternatively, in an environment where there are multiple databases and applications, but RDF is protecting only one of those databases, stopping TMF might not be desirable. In this case, you can stop the applications associated with the RDF-protected database, copy the database from the primary system to the backup system (there are several ways of doing this), reinitialize RDF using the INITTIME option, and start RDF.

If you are unsure about which tables or files might not be synchronized, you need to compare the questionable tables or files between the primary and backup databases and then, based on that evaluation, resynchronize some of the database objects.

To purge a NonStop SQL/MP or NonStop SQL/MX database, use the SQLCI/MXCI PURGE utility and DROP command, as explained in the *SQL/MP Installation and Management Guide* and the *SQL/MX Installation and Management Guide*.

To recopy a database to the backup system, follow the instructions in "Synchronizing the Primary and Backup Databases" (page 71).

Resynchronizing Individual Volumes, Tables, and Files Offline

If you are sure that only certain database files or tables on a particular volume might not be synchronized, all you need to do is synchronize the entire volume or just the individual files and/or tables.

To resynchronize only the affected volume or the individual files/tables on that volume, do the following:

1. Stop your applications.
2. Either Stop TMF or stop RDF using the Drain option (see discussion on this option in [Chapter 5](#))
3. Make a copy of the tables and files that reside on the particular volume.
4. Move the copy of the database taken in Step 3 to your backup system.
5. Restart TMF, if it was stopped in Step 2.
6. What you need to do next depends on the what you did in Step 2:
 - If you stopped TMF, the initialize RDF to the TMF shutdown timestamp
 - If you used the STOP RDF, DRAIN option, then reinitialize RDF to the time when you initiated the Drain operation.
7. Start RDF.
8. Start your applications.

Resynchronizing Individual Tables or Files Offline

If you are sure that only certain database tables or files might not be synchronized, all you need to do is synchronize those tables or files.

To resynchronize an individual table or file:

1. Stop your applications. It is also recommended that you stop TMF too because this guarantees that no unexpected updates can touch the database, but it is not a requirement if you are certain you have stopped all update activity to the affected volume.
2. Make a copy of the tables or files.
3. Restart TMF on the primary system if you stopped it in Step 1.
4. If you stopped TMF in Step 1, then wait for RDF to stop in response. Alternatively, if you only stopped your applications, then issue the STOP RDF, DRAIN command, wait for RDF to stop, and wait for the purger to log the RDF event 852.
5. Copy the tables or files to the appropriate volume on the backup system.
6. Restart RDF and your applications.

7 Online Database Synchronization

With RDF/IMP, IMPX, or ZLT you can synchronize entire databases or selected volumes, files, tables or even partitions while your applications continue to run.

For information about NonStop SQL/MX databases, see [Chapter 16](#) (page 323).

Overview

The RDF online database synchronization protocol consists of the following general steps (the details of which are discussed later in this chapter):

- Initialize the RDF configuration with the SYNCHDBTIME option.
- Issue a START RDF, UPDATE OFF command.
- Get a copy of the database by one of two methods:
 - Method 1
 - This method does not work for entry-sequenced files or tables, nor does it work for NonStop SQL tables that have SYSKEYs or clustering keys.
 - Create an empty copy of the database.
 - Load the data from the actual database into the copy with shared access. Because the load operation with shared access reads through locks held by applications, the resulting files are inconsistent with respect to transactions, but it is consistent with respect to the physical state.
 - Method 2
 - This method works for entry-sequenced files or tables, as well as for NonStop SQL tables that have SYSKEYs or clustering keys.
 - Take an online dump of your database
 - Perform a File Recovery to a New Location (FRNL) from the online dump you have just taken above.
- Load the data from the actual database into the copy with shared access. Because the load operation with shared access reads through transaction locks held by applications, the resulting file is inconsistent with respect to transactions, but it is consistent with respect to its physical state.
- When you have completed getting a copy of your database by either of the methods stated above and you have moved the copy to the backup system, issue a START UPDATE command. As the updaters start applying audit, they put the backup database to a consistent state with regard to transactions.

The RDF online database synchronization protocol can be used to synchronize entire databases or selected parts of databases. The operations can be complex, depending upon the database system being used (NonStop SQL/MP, NonStop SQL/MX, or Enscribe), the file types being used (key-sequenced and relative), and whether you need to synchronize an entire database or just selected portions. If you need to synchronize entire databases, you should first read [“Synchronizing Entire Databases Online”](#) and [“Considerations When Synchronizing Entire Databases”](#) (page 169).

Because you must run RDF with UPDATE OFF while you obtain a copy of the database, audit data will collect in the RDF image trails before you can eventually start the updaters. Therefore, if your database is very large, you might want to consider synchronizing several volumes at a time (synchronize a subset of volumes and then start updating. When the updaters are caught up, stop RDF and reinitialize RDF using synchdbtime. Then do the same with the next subset of volumes).



NOTE: RDF does not replicate NonStop SQL/MP and NonStop SQL/MX catalogs. Therefore, if you are synchronizing NonStop SQL/MP and NonStop SQL/MX tables, you might need to create NonStop SQL/MP and NonStop SQL/MX catalogs manually on the backup system if they do not already exist.

Synchronizing Entire Databases Online

To synchronize an entire RDF backup database to the primary database online:

1. If RDF is currently running, issue a STOP RDF command on the primary system.
2. Purge the RDF control subvolume on both the primary and backup systems and then issue an INITIALIZE RDF command of the following form on the primary system:

```
INITIALIZE RDF, BACKUPSYSTEM \system, SYNCHDBTIME ddmmmyyyy hh:mm
```

where *system* is the name of the backup system, *ddmmmyyyy* is today's date (such as 17DEC2004), and *hh:mm* is an appropriate timestamp prior to the current time (see the description of the INITIALIZE RDF command in [Chapter 8 \(page 187\)](#)).



NOTE: If you have multiple RDF environments, be sure to specify an appropriate SUFFIX attribute in the above INITIALIZE RDF command to keep this RDF configuration separate from the other RDF configurations on the primary system. Also, if this configuration is to protect different data from the other RDF configurations, you might want to consider using the INCLUDE and EXCLUDE options for your updaters.

3. Configure RDF and then issue a START RDF, UPDATE OFF command on the primary system.
4. Make a copy of all tables and files in the database:
 - Method 1
 - Create an empty set of duplicate key-sequenced and relative files and tables that do not have SYSKEYs and clustering keys on either the primary or backup system. The duplicate tables and files must **not** be audited.
You can create these files and tables on either the primary or backup system, but you should only create them on the backup system if you have sufficient Expand bandwidth between the two systems to handle both the audit sent by the extractor and the data sent by the load operations.
 - Using load commands, populate the empty tables and files.
For NonStop SQL/MP tables, use SQLCI LOAD commands with the SHARE option.
For Enscribe files, use FUP LOAD commands with the SHARE option.
 - Method 2
 - Take online dumps of your entry-sequenced, key-sequenced, and relative files and tables. Note, this is the only method you can use for entry-sequenced files and tables, as well as any tables that have SYSKEYs and clustering keys.
 - Using these online dumps, perform File Recovery to a New Location to different locations on the primary system.
 - Move the copy of the database to the backup system.
5. When you have completed getting a copy of the database, issue the RDFCOM STOP SYNCH command on the primary system. This command issues a message to the extractor. The

purpose of this command is to enable RDF to determine when the synchronization operation has completed and the backup database is synchronized with the primary database.

When the extractor completes its role in the online synchronization operation, it generates the RDF Event 782 and then resumes normal operations. For more detailed information, see “Phases of Online Database Synchronization” (page 183).

6. If the duplicate tables and files were created on the primary system in step 4, use BACKUP/RESTORE or FUP DUP operations to copy them to the backup system.

For ENSCRIBE files with alternate key files, after restoring the files to the backup system, if the name of the alternate key file is in network form, then you must manually alter the system name of the alternate key file in the file label, replacing the name of the primary system with that of the backup.

For example, suppose that on the primary system (\PRIMARY) you have a file named \$DATA.TEST.PART0100 with an alternate key file named ALTF0100.

After restoring both files to the backup system (\BACKUP), you must then use a FUP ALTER command to alter the file label of PART0100 to point to the alternate key file on the backup system.

```
FUP ALTER $DATA.TEST.PART0100,  
ALTFILE ( 0, \BACKUP.$DATA.TEST.ALTF0100 )
```

This command does not pertain to NonStop SQL indexes because their labels are automatically corrected by the MAP NAMES option of the RESTORE utility.

The same issue pertains to Enscribe partitioned files. If the primary partition references secondary partitions that include the primary system name, you must alter the primary system name to that of the backup system.

If you have an RDF network for replicating network transactions, then you will need to alter the partition names to reference the correct names of the backup systems where the partitions are located.

7. When a new copy of your database is on the backup system and the extractor has logged the message indicating it has completed its role in the online synchronization operation, issue the RDFCOM START UPDATE command on the primary system.



NOTE: If your updaters are protecting data volumes that are all configured to the Master Audit Trail (MAT), you can start the updaters as soon as the duplicate database is on the backup system and the extractor has issued the RDF event 782. If, however, your updaters are also protecting data volumes that are configured to one or more auxiliary audit trails, you must also wait for all of the auxiliary extractors to report 0:00 RTD times before starting the updaters.

Considerations When Synchronizing Entire Databases

The considerations for online synchronization fall into the following categories:

- Duration of getting a copy of the database prepared on the backup system
- SYNCHDBTIME issues
- CREATE/LOAD issues for NonStop SQL/MP and NonStop SQL/MX tables and Enscribe files (See Step 4 - Method 1 under “Synchronizing Entire Databases Online” (page 168))
- Enscribe queue file issues
- Different versions of NonStop SQL products on the primary and backup systems
- Moving the duplicated tables and files to the backup system

Duration and Preparation Issues

As indicated in the steps described above, getting a complete copy of your entire database and placing it on the backup system can take quite a bit of time, and you cannot start the updaters until the database is fully prepared on the backup system. This leads to an issue that you must consider. While you are making a copy of the database and then getting it prepared on the backup system, you must run RDF with UPDATE OFF. This means that audit will accumulate in the RDF image trails. When synchronizing databases, you should configure image trail volumes that have a lot of free space for image files.

The key problem you want to avoid is where your steps to obtain the copy and prepare it on the backup system take so long that your image trails run out of space before you are able to start the updaters. If the image trails fill, then this causes the extractors on the primary system to stop sending audit data to the receivers because those receivers have no place to put the audit data. Because the extractors pin audit trail files to avoid having TMF delete files before the extractors have finished with them, this pinning, if it lasts long enough, could lead in turn to the situation where no new transactions are allowed by the TMF product on the primary system.

You can avoid the above situation by configuring enough image trails, and ensuring that the image volumes have sufficient disk space. The more image trails you have, the safer you are. Once the synchronization process has completed, you can always reduce the number of image trails by stopping the RDF product and reconfiguring a new RDF environment that has fewer image trails.

Alternatively, if your database is so big that it could take more time to obtain the copy and prepare it than you have image space for, then you might want to synchronize one part of the database at a time. When that operation has completed, you would then synchronize the next portion. See the discussion on partial database synchronization and the issues pertaining to it that follows.

SYNCHDBTIME Issues

With the SYNCHDBTIME option in the INITIALIZE RDF command, there are three special cases you might need to consider:

- Enscribe create operations
- NonStop SQL/MP and NonStop SQL/MX Shared Access DDL operations
- TMF shutdown operations

Enscribe Create Records

If you created the same Enscribe file on the primary and backup systems prior to execution of the INITIALIZE RDF command, and if the extractor's restart position is located before the audit record for the create operation on the primary system, you must remember to purge that file on the backup system. Otherwise, when the updater tries to replicate the create operation, it will report a File System error 10 (File Already Exists) and restart. It continues to restart and attempt to create the file until you purge the existing file on the backup system.

Stop-RDF-Updater Records

Stop-RDF-Updater records in the MAT are associated with committed NonStop SQL DDL operations performed on the primary system with the WITH SHARED ACCESS option. Although such operations can be performed on the primary system without stopping your applications, they must be performed manually on the backup system after all updaters have shut down in response to the same Stop-RDF-Updater record.

As a general rule, you should not initialize the RDF subsystem to a *synchdbtime* if you recently performed a NonStop SQL operation with SHARED ACCESS on the primary system. For example, suppose you have a NonStop SQL/MP (*tableA*) that contains the range of keys A through Z and you just moved its partition boundary such that *tableA* now contains only the keys A

through M and a new table (*tableB*) contains the keys N through Z. Suppose also that you performed this operation manually on the backup system.

If you then initialize the RDF subsystem to a point in the MAT prior to the Stop-RDF-Updater record associated with the partition boundary change and an updater encounters audit records associated a key N through Z, the updater will report an error because it will try to apply the audit records to *tableA* (which used to contain it, but now does not), and the audit records will not be applied to the backup database. In this particular case the database is not corrupted, but data corruption could occur for other NonStop SQL/MP or NonStop SQL/MX DDL SHARED ACCESS operations.

If you did recently perform a NonStop SQL/MP or NonStop SQL/MX operation with SHARED ACCESS on the primary system and you want to initialize the RDF subsystem to a *synchdbtime*, you must specify a *synchdbtime* such that the starting position in the MAT is after the Stop-RDF-Updater record.

As a precaution, if RDFCOM encounters a Stop-RDF-Updater record during its backward search of the MAT, it issues a warning message to that effect asking if you want to proceed with initialization. If the extractor encounters such a record while operating in database synchronization mode, it abends.

TMF Shutdown Records

TMF shutdown records in the MAT do not cause a problem, except that RDF shuts down and you must then restart it.

CREATE/LOAD Issues (Step 4, Method 1)

Create an empty set of duplicate key-sequenced and relative files and tables that do not have SYSKEYs and clustering keys on either the primary or backup system. The duplicate tables and files must not be audited.

The LOAD command only works on tables and files that are nonaudited. If you create the empty duplicate tables and files as audited entities, you must then use FUP ALTER commands to turn off their audit attributes before you can load them.

You can create these files and tables on either the primary or backup system, but you should only create them on the backup system if you have sufficient Expand bandwidth between the two systems to handle both the audit sent by the extractor and the data sent by the load operations.

Using load commands, populate the empty tables and files. For NonStop SQL/MP tables, use SQLCI LOAD commands with the SHARE option. For Enscribe files, use FUP LOAD commands with the SHARE option.

For information about the SQLCI LOAD, MXCI LOAD, or FUP LOAD commands, refer to the *SQL/MP Reference Manual*, the *SQL/MX Reference Manual*, or the *File Utility Program (FUP) Reference Manual*, respectively. The following information is general in nature and is not intended as a substitute for the information contained in those manuals.

General Considerations for Enscribe Files

- **Key-sequenced files.** To improve the performance of the load operations, specify the SORTED option.
- **Relative files.** To ensure complete consistency with the source files, specify the NO COMPACT option.
- **Entry-sequenced.** Currently create/load method is not supported for entry-sequenced files and the only other way is to follow Method 2 discussed in the “Overview” section.
- **Unstructured Files.** Unstructured files need to be synchronized offline.

- **Partitioned files (key-sequenced or relative).** For partitioned files, you can initiate the load operation with a single command by executing the LOAD command against the primary partition.
- **Alternate key files (key-sequenced or relative).** You should execute LOAD commands against all alternate key files.

Special Consideration for Enscribe Files

If you create empty Enscribe files on your primary system, you should create them with the audit attribute set off. This is particularly important if you create them on volumes protected by RDF. If you create them as audited files on database volumes that are being protected by RDF, the updaters also create them on the backup system. You then must purge the files on your backup system before copying the loaded files from the primary system.

General Considerations for NonStop SQL Tables

- **Key-sequenced tables without SYSKEY.** To improve the performance of the load operations significantly, specify the SORTED option.
- **Tables with SYSKEY or Clustering Keys.** Because the NonStop SQL load operations generate new SYSKEY and clustering key values, do not use the create/load method to get a copy of such table. Instead, use the method explained in Step 4, Method 2 under “Synchronizing Entire Databases Online” (page 168).
- **Relative tables.** To ensure complete consistency with the source files, specify the NO COMPACT option.
- **Entry-sequenced tables.** Do not use the create/load method to obtain a copy of entry-sequenced files. Instead, use the method explained in Step 4, Method 2 under “Synchronizing Entire Databases Online” (page 168).
- **Partitioned tables.** You can initiate the load operation with a single command by executing the LOAD command against the primary partition.
- **Index tables.** With regard to index tables, there are several considerations for relative and key-sequenced tables. Regardless of base table type, you cannot load an index table by itself. Index tables can only be loaded when the associated relative or key-sequenced table is loaded.

If you want the associated index tables loaded when you load a relative or key-sequenced table, you must create empty index tables first, before issuing the LOAD command. When you load the base table, the index tables are loaded automatically.

Alternatively, you can load your base tables without index tables. Then you can create and populate your index tables with the NonStop SQL product of choice before you start the RDF updaters.

If you fail to create the index tables before issuing the START UPDATE command, the affected updater reports a file-system error 11 (File not found) when trying to apply an update to an index table, and it continues to retry the update. In this situation, the updater does not make forward progress until you create the index on your backup system.

Enscribe Queue File Issues

For ENSCRIBE queue files, a different method of obtaining the fuzzy copy is required. You must use the FUP COPY command with the SHARE option specified, and with “FIRST 1” specified. For example, the following command copies the contents of file QUEUE1 to QUEUE2.

```
FUP COPY QUEUE1, QUEUE2, FIRST 1, SHARE
```

To ensure that your target file, QUEUE2 in the above example, has the proper content, copy the content of the target file to the screen by using the following command:

```
FUP COPY QUEUE2, , H
```

If the file is empty and contains zero records, you must reissue your original command again, and recheck the contents of the target file.

```
FUP COPY QUEUE1, QUEUE2, FIRST 1, SHARE
FUP COPY QUEUE2,, H
```

The target file, QUEUE2 in this example, is not ready for synchronization until it has at least one record in it. Therefore, you might need to repeat the above operation until a record appears.

You could also copy the empty file to the backup system, insert a record into the file on the backup system, and delete the inserted record:

1. Start a transaction, do a WRITE to the empty queue file, and commit the transaction.
2. Start a new transaction, do a READUPDATELOCK on the record, and commit the transaction. This procedure pops the inserted record from the file, but leaves the special “dummy” record in the 0th position. You must do this operation before you start RDF updating.

For information about the special “dummy” record in Enscribe Queue Files, see the information about queue files in the *Enscribe Programmer's Guide*.

Different NonStop SQL Product Versions

If you have different versions of the NonStop SQL product of choice on your primary and backup systems, see the *SQL/MP Version Management Guide*(for SQL/MP users) or *SQL/MX Database and Application Migration Guide*(for SQL/MX users) for information about what you can do and how to do it.

Three of the more common issues are:

- If your primary system has a higher version of the NonStop SQL/MP or NonStop SQL/MX product than the backup system, then the tables on the primary system must not make use of features not supported by the lower product version. Failure to comply with this will result in errors when attempting to create the duplicate tables.
- You can create the duplicate tables on the backup system and then load them over the network from the primary system, but you must be knowledgeable about issues regarding differences in table and catalog versions. See the *SQL/MP Version Management Guide* or *SQL/MX Database and Application Migration Guide*.
- You can create and load the duplicate tables on the primary system and then move them to the backup system using SQLCI DUP commands or BACKUP/RESTORE and tapes. In either case, however, the tables must be registered in a catalog on the backup system. Again, you must be knowledgeable about issues regarding differences in table and catalog versions. See the *SQL/MP Version Management Guide* or *SQL/MX Database and Application Migration Guide*.

Moving Duplicated Tables and Files to the Backup System

If you created the duplicate files and tables directly on the backup system and loaded them from the primary system, you can start the RDF updaters without any further considerations.

If you created the duplicate files and tables on the primary system by Method 1 or Method 2 and then moved them over to the backup system, however, you must be aware of the following:

- If you move duplicate partitioned Enscribe files whose volume mappings differ between the primary and backup systems, you must use a FUP ALTER command to alter the file labels of the duplicate files on the backup system so they reflect the correct volume mapping of the various partitions on the backup system.

For example, suppose you have a partitioned Enscribe file on the primary system whose primary partition is on \$DATA1 and secondary partition is on \$DATA2. If, on the backup system, the primary partition is on \$DATA1 but the secondary partition is on \$DATA3, you must change the volume name in the file label of the duplicate secondary partition from \$DATA2 to \$DATA3:

```
FUP ALTER $DATA1.subvol.file, PART (1,$DATA3)
```

- If you move duplicate Enscribe alternate key files, you must alter the system name in the file label of the duplicate file or table to specify the backup system.

For example, if you moved a duplicate Enscribe alternate key file named ALTF0100 associated with the file PART0100, you must change the system name in the file label of the duplicate alternate key file to that of the backup system:

```
FUP ALTER $DATA1.TEST.PART0100  
    ALTFILE (0,\backup.$DATA.TEST.ALTF0100)
```

- If you use the SQLCI DUP or MXCI DUP command to move duplicate partitioned NonStop SQL tables, you must use the MAP NAMES option to specify the backup system name.
- If you use the SQLCI DUP or MXCI DUP command to move NonStop SQL tables with index tables, you must use the MAP NAMES option to specify the backup system name.

Example of Synchronizing An Entire Database Online

Following is a summary of the steps necessary to perform an online synchronization of an entire database.

1. Issue the following RDFCOM command:

```
STOP RDF
```

2. Purge the RDF control subvolume and then issue the following RDFCOM command:

```
INITIALIZE RDF, BACKUPSYSTEM \RDFB, SYNCHDBTIME 17JUN2004 17:05 !
```



NOTE: If you have multiple RDF environments, you can do online synchronization within one RDF environment without disturbing any of the other RDF environments. Just be sure to include the appropriate SUFFIX attribute in the above INITIALIZE RDF command.

3. Configure RDF and then issue the following RDFCOM command:

```
START RDF, UPDATE OFF
```

4. Create a set of empty nonaudited Enscribe files on the primary system with the same file structure as the database files being synchronized. Although you can use the create file like filex method, the complete sequence of FUP SET and CREATE commands are included below to show the file structure of the partitioned files.

```
volume $data2.test  
reset  
set type k, keyoff 2, keylen 4, no audit  
set buffered, ext(10,10)  
set rec 300, block 4096  
set maxextents 16  
set code 4700  
set part (1, $data3, 2, 2, [0,0,0,195] )  
set altkey (1, file 0, keyoff 6, keylen 2 )  
set altkey (2, file 0, keyoff 6, keylen 2 )  
set altkey (3, file 0, keyoff 6, keylen 2, no update )  
set altkey (4, file 0, keyoff 6, keylen 2, no update )  
set altkey (5, file 0, keyoff 6, keylen 2 )  
set altfile (0, $data2.test.altf0100 )  
create $data2.test.part0100  
set altfile (0, $data2.test.altf0101 )  
create $data2.test.part0101
```

```
volume $data3.test  
reset  
set type r, no audit  
set buffered, ext(10,10)  
set rec 4050, block 4096  
set maxextents 16
```

```

set code 4700
set part (1, $data2, 2, 2 )
set altkey (1, file 0, keyoff 6, keylen 2 )
set altkey (2, file 0, keyoff 6, keylen 2, no update )
set altkey (3, file 0, keyoff 6, keylen 2 )
set altkey (4, file 0, keyoff 6, keylen 2, no update )
set altkey (5, file 0, keyoff 6, keylen 2, no update )
set altfile (0, $data3.test.altf0200 )
create $data3.test.part0200
set altfile (0, $data3.test.altf0201 )
create $data3.test.part0201

```

After using a VOLUME command to specify the primary database volume from which you want to extract the data, load the empty duplicate files:

```

volume $data0.test
load part0100, $data2.test.part0100, share, sorted
load part0101, $data2.test.part0101, share, sorted
load altf0100, $data2.test.altf0100, share, sorted
load altf0101, $data2.test.altf0101, share, sorted

volume $data1.test
load part0200, $data3.test.part0200, share, sorted, no compact
load part0201, $data3.test.part0201, share, sorted, no compact
load altf0200, $data3.test.altf0200, share, sorted
load altf0201, $data3.test.altf0201, share, sorted

```

5. After the load operations in step 5 are done, issue the following RDFCOM command:
STOP SYNCH
6. Use FUP DUP commands to move the duplicate files to the backup system. Remember that the files must be duplicated to the volumes on the backup system that are mapped to the corresponding volumes where the database resides on the primary system. Assume you issue the FUP DUP command at the primary system and that the target volumes on the backup system have the same names as the corresponding database volumes on the primary system (\$DATA0 and \$DATA1). Issue the following commands:


```

volume $data2.test
fup dup *,\rdfb.$data0.test.*
fup alter \rdfb.$data0.test.part0100, &
    altfile (0, \rdfb.$data0.test.altf0100 )
fup alter \rdfb.$data0.test.part0101, &
    altfile (0, \rdfb.$data0.test.altf0101 )

volume $data3.test
fup dup *,\rdfb.$data1.test.*
fup alter \rdfb.$data1.test.part0200, &
    altfile (0, \rdfb.$data1.test.altf0200 )
fup alter \rdfb.$data1.test.part0201, &
    altfile (0, \rdfb.$data1.test.altf0201 )

```
7. Turn on the audit attributes for the backup database.
8. Issue the RDFCOM START UPDATE command. When all of the updaters have logged a message 782, the backup synchronization is complete.

Synchronizing Selected Database Portions Online

There are a number of reasons why you might want to synchronize only selected portions of your database. For example:

- If you have a large database, it might be easier to break the total number of volumes into subsets, and then synchronize one subset at a time.
- If a file or table has become corrupt, you might want to synchronize just that one file.
- If an individual partition of a file or table has become corrupt, you might want to synchronize just that one partition.

Overview

To synchronize selected portions of your database, you follow the same steps as those for synchronizing an entire database.

Example #1 – Staged Synchronization of an Entire Database

Suppose you are synchronizing your entire database by synchronizing selected portions first. Suppose your database is on ten volumes and you want to synchronize two volumes at a time. You would start by synchronizing your first two volumes, following the guidelines for synchronizing an entire database.

When this operation has completed and the RDF updaters are fully caught up, you stop the NonStop RDF product. You then delete your current RDF configuration and initialize a new RDF subsystem, using the SYNCHDBTIME option. For the timestamp to be used with the SYNCHDBTIME attribute, you specify a timestamp following the guidelines for the INITTIME option.

When you create your new RDF configuration, include the first two volumes you have just synchronized and include two new volumes. Regarding the first two volumes that are already synchronized, you do not need to obtain new copies (see [Step 4](#)) of the files and tables and load copies of the files and tables on those volumes because they are already synchronized. For the two new volumes, you need to synchronize these following the steps for an entire database synchronization.

When these two new volumes have been synchronized, you follow the same procedure discussed above, and adding two new volumes to your new RDF configuration file.

Example #2 – Synchronization of an Individual Volume

Suppose you just need either to synchronize a new volume to an existing RDF configuration, or you need to re-synchronize an existing volume in your configuration. You would first stop your current RDF subsystem. You then delete your current RDF control subvolume and initialize a new RDF subsystem, using the SYNCHDBTIME option. For the timestamp to be used with the SYNCHDBTIME attribute, you specify a timestamp following the guidelines for the INITTIME option.

When you create your new RDF configuration:

- If you are synchronizing a new volume, add it to your new configuration.
- If you are resynchronizing an existing volume, then just use your existing RDF configuration.

You then follow the guideline for an entire database synchronization operation, except that you only need to obtain new copies (see [Step 4](#)) of the files and tables on one volume.

Example #3 – Synchronization of an Individual File or Partition on a Volume

Suppose you just need to re-synchronize a single file or partition on an existing volume in your RDF configuration. You would first stop your current RDF subsystem. You then delete your current RDF configuration and initialize a new RDF subsystem, using the SYNCHDBTIME

option. For the timestamp to be used with the SYNCHDBTIME attribute, you specify a timestamp following the guidelines for the INITTIME option.

When you configure a new RDF subsystem, use your existing RDF configuration file. You then follow the guideline for an entire database synchronization operation, except that you only need to obtain a new copy of the one file or partition.

Partial Database Synchronization Issues

There are many considerations when synchronizing selected portions of a database. You should read this chapter carefully before attempting to perform the operation.

Typically you need to perform a partial database synchronization for either of two reasons:

- You are adding a new volume to the RDF configuration that was not previously in your configuration.
- You have encountered a problem with a volume or a file that requires resynchronization.

As stated above, a partial database synchronization follows the same steps as those for synchronizing an entire database, except that you only need to obtain new copies of the files (see Step 4) to be synchronized and load duplicate copies of the files or tables to be synchronized. Also, when determining what timestamp to specify with the SYNCHDBTIME attribute, you should follow the guidelines for the INITTIME option.

There are a variety of considerations when synchronizing portions of a database. Read the following carefully.

Enscribe Files Without Partitions

Key-Sequenced and Relative Files

Use either Method 1 or Method 2 of Step 4 under “Synchronizing Entire Databases Online” (page 168) to obtain a new copy of the file-set. Then use BACKUP and RESTORE (or FUP DUP) to move the duplicate file to the backup system.

Alternatively, if you use Step 4, Method 1, you can create the duplicate file directly on the backup system and then load it across the network, provided you have enough Expand capacity to handle both the data being loaded and the audit being shipped to the backup system by the extractor. If you created the duplicate file with the LIKE option and the primary file has an alternate key file, then the file label of that duplicate file points to the alternate key file on the primary system. You must change this to point to your alternate key file on your backup system. Use a FUP ALTER command to alter the file label manually. For example:

```
FUP ALTER $DATA.TEST.PART0100,  
      ALTFIL ( 0, \BACKUP.$DATA.TEST.ALTF0100 )
```

Entry-Sequenced Files

If you use Step 4, Method 2, there are no special considerations for entry-sequenced files. You cannot use Step 4, Method 1.

Enscribe Files With Partitions

Key-Sequenced Files with Create/Load (Step 4, Method 1)

First create a non-audited duplicate file on the primary system. You must create the entire file with all partitions. Then, you only need to load the partition that you need. For example, suppose the file has two partitions: \$DATA1.TEST.PART0100 (primary) and \$DATA2.TEST.PART0100 (secondary). Issue the following command:

```
FUP CREATE $DATA1.TEMP.PART0100,  
      LIKE $DATA1.TEST.PART0100, NO AUDIT
```

That command creates the two files \$DATA1.TEMP.PART0100 (primary partition) and \$DATA2.TEMP.PART0100 (secondary partition).

To load the primary partition only, issue the following command:

```
FUP LOAD $DATA1.TEST.PART0100, $DATA1.TEMP.PART0100,  
PARTONLY, SHARE
```

To load the secondary partition only, issue the following command:

```
FUP LOAD $DATA2.TEST.PART0100, $DATA2.TEMP.PART0100,  
PARTONLY, SHARE
```

When the load operations are finished, use BACKUP and RESTORE (or FUP DUP) with the PARTONLY option to copy the partition you need to the backup system.

Key-Sequenced Files with FRNL (Step 4, Method 2)

With this method, you only need to use FRNL to obtain a copy of the specific partition and then move the copy to the backup system.

Relative Files with Create/Load (Step 4, Method 1)

First create a non-audited duplicate file on the primary system. You must create the entire file with all its partitions. Unlike key-sequenced files, you must load the entire file. For example, assume the file has two partitions: \$DATA1.TEST.PART0100 (primary) and \$DATA2.TEST.PART0100 (secondary). Issue the following command:

```
FUP CREATE $DATA1.TEMP.PART0100,  
LIKE $DATA1.TEST.PART0100, NO AUDIT
```

That command creates the two files \$DATA1.TEMP.PART0100 (primary partition) and \$DATA2.TEMP.PART0100 (secondary partition)

You must load all the partitions of a relative file. Therefore, only one command is possible.

```
FUP LOAD $DATA1.TEST.PART0100, $DATA1.TEMP.PART0100,  
SHARE
```

You can then use BACKUP and RESTORE (or FUP DUP) with the PARTONLY option to copy the loaded partition you need to the backup system.

Relative Files with FRNL (Step 4, Method 2)

With this method, you only need to use FRNL to obtain a copy of the specific partition you want and then move the copy to the backup system.

Entry-Sequenced Files

If you use Step 4, Method 2, there are no special considerations for entry-sequenced files. You cannot use Step 4, Method 1.

NonStop SQL/MP and NonStop SQL/MX Tables Without Partitions

Tables with SYSKEY or Clustering Keys

For online database synchronization, you must use FRNL method (See Step 4, Method 2 under “Synchronizing Entire Databases Online”). When using this method, there are no special considerations.

Tables without SYSKEY and Clustering Keys

Create/Load (Step 4, Method 1)

First create a non-audited duplicate table on the primary system and then load it. Use BACKUP and RESTORE (or SQLCI DUP) to move the duplicate table to the backup system.

Alternatively, you can use the create and load method to put the duplicate tables directly onto the backup system, provided you have enough Expand capacity to handle both the data being loaded and the audit being shipped to the backup system by the extractor.

FRNL (Step 4, Method 2)

This method can be used for tables with or without SYSKEY or clustering keys.

There are no special considerations for key-sequenced tables with indexes, but see below for issues regarding the synchronization of indexes.

NonStop SQL/MP and NonStop SQL/MX Tables With Partitions

The utilities associated with and related to the NonStop SQL products have limitations that make synchronization of individual partitions complicated and difficult. The following represent methods that enable you to circumvent these limitations.

- SQLCI DUP and MXCI DUP does not have a PARTONLY option. Therefore, you cannot duplicate only an individual partition.
- While BACKUP and RESTORE have the PARTONLY option, if you have backed up tables from the primary system, you must use the MAP NAMES option (LOCATION option with BACKUP and RESTORE 2) when restoring them on the backup system in order to specify the correct system name. You cannot, however, include both the MAP NAMES (LOCATION option with BACKUP and RESTORE 2) and PARTONLY options in the RESTORE operation. Therefore, because you must use MAP NAMES or LOCATION, you cannot restore only a single partition.

Described below is a set of steps that can be used to synchronize individual partitions of NonStop SQL/MP tables (either primary or secondary partitions).



NOTE: While the discussion below is concerned with NonStop SQL/MP, the same issues and resolutions apply for NonStop SQL/MX.

Requirements for Synchronization of Individual Partitions

To synchronize an individual partition of a partitioned table, you must have a copy of the entire table on the backup system. If you are missing a volume because of a complete media failure and you do not have a backup copy of the table on tape or in an online dump, then you will have to resynchronize the entire table. Therefore, to prevent this, you should have a copy of your backup database on tape or in an online dump. The preferred method is to have an online dump because it can be used both for fast synchronization after a media failure on the backup system as well as being able to takeover on the backup system as quickly as possible after you lose your primary system due to an unplanned outage. If you choose not to take online dumps, then you should have a copy of all tables on your backup system on tape. The data in the copy on tape need not be current, but you need to have the physical structure of all tables on tape to facilitate the ability to resynchronize individual partitions at a later date. To this end, you can employ the following special trick, but it will not work if you need to resynchronize an individual partition of a partitioned index. With an online dump, however, you can recover an individual partition of an index.

Quick Trick for Having a Copy on Tape

1. Rename the table to a temporary name using the SQLCI ALTER TABLE command.
2. Create a duplicate table with the original name of the table you renamed in step 1. This table must have all the same partitions as the original table.
3. Use BACKUP to put the duplicate table on tape. It will have all the partitions, but they are empty. Thus, it will not take long to back the partitions up, nor will it take long to restore any of the partitions.
4. Rename the table to a temporary name and then drop it. By renaming it before dropping it, you preserve any indexes that are associated with the original table name.
5. Rename the temporary table (step 1) back to the original table name.

Thus, you now have on tape empty partitions for the entire table. Should you ever lose a volume to a complete media failure, you can install a new disk and then use the RESTORE utility with the PARTONLY option to recover the missing partition. Because you have backed up a table with the name you need on the backup system, you can restore any partition that you need to with the PARTONLY option and without having to use the MAP NAMES option. Once you have restored the empty partition, you can use the protocol described below to synchronize the affected partition. With this trick, however, you cannot recover from a media failure that wipes out an individual partition of a partitioned index. If that occurs, you will need to drop the index from the associated table, thereby eliminating all other partitions of the index. Then you must create a new index.

Key-Sequenced Tables

The most effective means of describing this method is to use an example. Suppose you have a table named PART whose primary partition is named \$DATA.TEST.PART, that this table has 50 secondary partitions, and you only need to synchronize the primary partition. The following set of steps presumes you have just added back the volume needing synchronization to the RDF configuration and you are running with update off.

Again, follow the steps for complete database synchronization, although with some specific modifications. The complete set of steps with modifications are listed below.

1. If RDF is currently running, issue a STOP RDF command on the primary system.
2. Purge the RDF control subvolume and then issue an INITIALIZE RDF command of the following form on the primary system:

```
INITIALIZE RDF, BACKUPSYSTEM \system, SYNCHDBTIME ddmmmyyyy hh:mm
```

For the timestamp, follow the guidelines for the INITTIME option.
3. Configure RDF and then issue a START RDF, UPDATE OFF command on the primary system.
4. Make a copy of your table using one of the following two methods:
 - Method 1
Create the entire duplicate table on your backup system with a temporary name at a temporary location (such as \BACKUP.\$DATA.DUP.PART).
The alternative is to create the duplicate table on the primary system at a temporary location (such as \PRIMARY.\$DATA.DUP.PART).
If the table whose primary partition needs to be synchronized has indexes, do not create indexes for the duplicate table.
 - Method 2
Take an online dump of the specific partition that you to resynchronize, and then perform a TMF FRNL operation to put that copy on a different volume. In this example, use MAP NAMES to recover it as \$DATA.DUP.PART.
5. When you have completed Step 4, issue the RDFCOM STOP SYNCH command.
6. If you used the Method 1 in Step 4 above to create the duplicate table on the primary system, then use the BACKUP utility to put the entire duplicate table with all partitions onto tape. Because you only loaded the one partition, all other partitions of this duplicate table are empty.
If you used Method 2 above, then use Backup to put \$DATA.DUP.PART on tape.
If you created the duplicate table directly on the backup system, skip this step.
7. If you created the duplicate table on the primary system with Method 1 or you created the duplicate partition using Method 2, then use the RESTORE utility to put the entire duplicate

table with all its partitions onto disk on the backup system. You must use MAP NAMES to correct the system name. Thus, \$DATA.DUP.PART is now on the backup system.

If you created the duplicate table directly on the backup system, skip this step.

8. Rename the original table on the backup system whose primary partition is being synchronized to a temporary name using the SQLCI ALTER TABLE command (\$DATA.TEST.PART becomes \$DATA.TEMP.PART).
9. Rename the duplicate table on the backup system to the name of the original table whose partition is being synchronized using the SQLCI ALTER TABLE command (\$DATA.DUP.PART becomes \$DATA.TEST.PART).
10. Use the BACKUP utility with the PARTONLY option to back up just the partition you need synchronized to tape (the primary partition, in this example). Remember that the duplicate table now has the name of the original table. When this step completes, you now have on tape just the partition that you want to use on the backup system and it now has the correct name, although it is not yet aligned with the other partitions of the table on the backup system.
11. Rename the duplicate table back to its original duplicate table name (\$DATA.TEST.PART becomes \$DATA.DUP.PART).
12. Use SQLCI to drop the duplicate table. By renaming the duplicate table back to its original name before dropping it, you can preserve whatever indexes exist on the backup system that are associated with the table being synchronized.
13. Rename the original table on the backup system from its temporary name back to its original name using the SQLCI ALTER TABLE command (\$DATA.TEMP.PART becomes \$DATA.TEST.PART).
14. Use the RESTORE utility with the PARTONLY option to put the loaded primary partition of the duplicate table into the correct location. MAP NAMES is not required because the loaded partition now has the correct name on tape and can be restored directly.
15. When the extractor has logged the message indicating it has completed its role in the online synchronization operation, issue the RDFCOM START UPDATE command on your primary system.

The preceding procedure preserves indexes you might have on the backup system.

There is an alternate method that might be faster in some situations than the method described above, although this method requires that you rebuild all indexes associated with the table on the backup system.

1. Drop all indexes associated with the table on the backup system that has a partition in need of synchronization.
2. Use the SQLCI LOAD command with the PARTONLY option to load the partition directly from the primary system to the backup system (without having to create a duplicate table).
3. When the load has completed, issue the RDFCOM STOP SYNCH command.
4. Create all required indexes for the table on the backup system.
5. When the extractor has logged the message indicating it has completed its role in the online synchronization operation, issue the RDFCOM START UPDATE command on your primary system.

Thus, if it is faster for you to rebuild your indexes than to perform the main method above, then this alternative method can achieve synchronization more quickly for you.

Relative Tables

This method is the same as that described for key-sequenced tables above, except that you cannot use PARTONLY to load relative tables. For relative tables, you must load the entire table.

1. If RDF is currently running, issue a STOP RDF command on the primary system.

2. Purge the RDF control subvolume and then issue an INITIALIZE RDF command of the following form on the primary system:

```
INITIALIZE RDF, BACKUPSYSTEM \system, SYNCHDBTIME ddmmmyyyy hh:mm
```

For the timestamp, follow the guidelines for the INITTIME option.

3. Configure RDF and then issue a START RDF, UPDATE OFF command on the primary system.
4. Make a copy of your table using one of the following two methods:

- **Method 1**

Create the entire duplicate table on your backup system with a temporary name at a temporary location (such as \BACKUP.\$DATA.DUP.PART).

The alternative is to create the duplicate table on the primary system at a temporary location (such as \PRIMARY.\$DATA.DUP.PART).

If the table whose primary partition needs to be synchronized has indexes, do not create indexes for the duplicate table.

Use the SQLCI LOAD command with the SHARED option to load the entire table. Again, with relative tables, you must load the entire table.

- **Method 2**

Take an online dump of the specific partition that you to resynchronize, and then perform a TMF FRNL operation to put that copy on a different volume. In this example, use MAP NAMES to recover it as \$DATA.DUP.PART.

5. When you have completed Step 4, issue the RDFCOM STOP SYNCH command.
6. When the load has completed, issue the RDFCOM STOP SYNCH command.
7. If you created the duplicate table on the primary system, then use the BACKUP utility to put the entire duplicate table with all partitions onto tape.
If you created the duplicate table directly on the backup system, skip this step.
8. If you created the duplicate table on the primary system, then use the RESTORE utility to put the entire duplicate table with all its partitions onto disk on the backup system. You must use MAP NAMES to correct the system name. \$DATA.DUP.PART is now on the backup system.
If you created the duplicate table directly on the backup system, skip this step.
9. Rename the original table on the backup system whose primary partition is being synchronized to a temporary name using the SQLCI ALTER TABLE command (\$DATA.TEST.PART becomes \$DATA.TEMP.PART).
10. Rename the duplicate table on the backup system to the name of the original table whose partition is being synchronized using the SQLCI ALTER TABLE command (\$DATA.DUP.PART becomes \$DATA.TEST.PART).
11. Use the BACKUP utility with the PARTONLY option to back up just the partition you need synchronized to tape (the primary partition, in this example). Remember that the duplicate table now has the name of the original table. Thus, you now have on tape the loaded partition that you need to synchronize. Because it has the correct name, you will not need to use MAP NAMES when you eventually restore it.
12. Rename the duplicate table back to its original duplicate table name (\$DATA.TEST.PART becomes \$DATA.DUP.PART).
13. Use SQLCI to drop the duplicate table. By renaming the duplicate table back to its original name before dropping it, you can preserve whatever indexes exist on the backup system that are associated with the table being synchronized.

14. Rename the original table on the backup system from its temporary name back to its original name using the SQLCI ALTER TABLE command (\$DATA. TEMP.PART becomes \$DATA.TEST.PART).
15. Use the RESTORE utility with the PARTONLY option to put the loaded primary partition of the duplicate table into the correct location. MAP NAMES is not required because the loaded partition now has the correct name on tape and can be restored directly.
16. When the extractor has logged the message indicating it has completed its role in the online synchronization operation, issue the RDFCOM START UPDATE command on your primary system.

NonStop SQL/MP and NonStop SQL/MX Indexes (With or Without Partitions)

To synchronize indexes with or without partitions, do the following:

1. Drop the indexes on the backup system.
2. Create new indexes on the backup system.

You do not use the RDFCOM STOP SYNCH command when you use this method.

Phases of Online Database Synchronization

Online database synchronization, whether for entire databases or selected volumes, occurs in two phases for both the extractor and all updaters.

Extractor Phases

The extractor phases of online database synchronization are:

Phase 1, Part 1

The extractor has received the STOP SYNCH message (indicating the load or backup operation is complete) and has reached the first TMP control point record in the audit trail that was generated after the load or backup operation completed. At this time, the extractor begins building a list of all transactions that might have been started during the create/load or backup operation.

Upon completion of phase 1, part 1, the extractor logs message 766.

Phase 1, Part 2

The extractor has reached the next TMP control point record in the audit trail and now has a list of all transactions that might have been started during the create/load or backup operation. The extractor generates a *synch-phase-1-complete* record, and then continues its normal operation.

Upon completion of phase 1, part 2, the extractor logs message 767.

Phase 1, Part 3

When the extractor encounters the next TMP control point record and all of the transactions in the list have finished, the extractor generates a special *synch-complete* image record (which is stored in all image trails by the receiver). All transactions that might have been started during the create/load or backup operations are now finished.



NOTE: TMP control points are generated as the result of transaction activity. For high rates of transaction activity, the TMP control points might be only 1 or 2 minutes apart. For lower rates, they might be 5 to 10 minutes apart. On a completely idle system, TMP control points can be approximately 30-60 minutes apart. Therefore, if your applications and TMF are idle or nearly so, it could take an hour or more for the extractor to encounter two TMP control points.

Upon completion of phase 1, part 3, the extractor logs message 768.

Phase 2

Phase 2 completes when the extractor is certain the *synch-complete* image record has been successfully written in all image trails, and the extractor's restart location is at a point in the audit trail following the TMP control point record associated with the completion of phase 1, part 3, above.

Upon completion of phase 2, the extractor logs message 782.

Updater Phase 2

You cannot start the updaters until the extractor has completed phase 2.



NOTE: If you are replicating only the Master Audit Trail (MAT), you can start the updaters as soon as the extractor issues its 782 event message. If you are also replicating one or more auxiliary audit trails, however, you must also wait for all of the auxiliary extractors to report 0:00 RTD times before starting the updaters.

Phase 2 completes when the updater encounters the *synch-complete* image record in the image trail. At that time the updater has processed all audit records that might have been generated during the load or backup operation, and synchronization is complete for the associated database volume.

Upon completion of phase 2, the updater logs message 782.

Extractor Restart Considerations During Online Database Synchronization

A number of circumstances can cause the extractor to restart during online database synchronization, such as a primary CPU failure affecting either the extractor or receiver process. Whenever the extractor encounters a restart condition it automatically recovers and resumes its synchronization functions. Where it resumes, however, depends upon where it was when the restart condition occurred.

- If the restart condition occurs prior to the start of phase 1, the extractor resumes wherever the receiver tells it to.
- If the restart condition occurs after phase 1 has begun, the extractor might choose to resume at an earlier position than the receiver tells it to. It does this to ensure that it has handled all committed and aborted transactions correctly. If the extractor does resume at an earlier position, it logs message 775. Additionally, regardless of whether or not it adjusted the restart position, the extractor can log messages 766, 767, and 768 again, even if it had logged any of them prior to the restart condition.

Determining When Online Database Synchronization Is Complete

The following RDF messages assist you in knowing when the various phases of online database synchronization are complete:

Extractor Messages

Messages 766, 767, and 768 in combination report the completion of phase 1. Message 782 reports the completion of phase 2. Message 782 indicates that the extractor has finished its involvement in the online synchronization operation.

Updater Messages

Message 782 reports the completion of phase 2 and indicates that the updater has finished its involvement in the online synchronization operation. Even in a partial database synchronization, all updaters will log event 782 because, in a partial database synchronization, you follow the guidelines of a complete database synchronization, except that you are only loading the specific volumes, table, and files you need. Therefore all updaters log the 782 event.

Additionally, the STATUS RDF display has been enhanced to identify which database volumes are still being synchronized. That information is reported in the error column of the display. If a volume is still being synchronized, its entry in the error column is sync. As soon as a volume is successfully synchronized, its entry in the error column is blank. If an updater encounters an error during synchronization, the associated entry in the error column is ****.

The following sample display shows that the updater process \$MUP1 for the data volume \$DATA1 has successfully completed synchronization while the updater process \$MUP2 for the data volume \$DATA2 is still doing the synchronization:

RDF Process	Name	RTD Time	Pri	Volume	Seqnce	Rel Byte Addr	Cpus	Err
Monitor	\$MMON		185	\$TRAILS	5		2: 3	
Extractor (0)	\$MEXT	0:00	185	\$TRAILS	5	7110636	1: 2	
Receiver (0)	\$MRCV	0:00	185	\$TRAILS	37	806912	1: 2	
\$DATA06 -> \$DATA06	\$MUP1	0:00	185	\$TRAILS	37	806912	1: 2	
\$DATA07 -> \$DATA07	\$MUP2	1:59	185	\$TRAILS	32	712704	2: 3	sync

8 Entering RDFCOM Commands

To manage, operate, and control RDF and its environment, you enter commands through the RDFCOM online utility. This chapter, directed to system managers and operators, describes the RDFCOM commands and their attributes. In this chapter, you will find:

- “Elements of RDFCOM Command Descriptions”
- “RDFCOM-Related Filenames and Process Identifiers” (page 190)
- “RDFCOM Commands” (page 192)

Elements of RDFCOM Command Descriptions

In the description of each RDFCOM command, the following elements are covered:

- Purpose, syntax, and attributes used with the command
- Where issued (primary or backup system)
- Security restrictions
- RDF state requirement
- Usage guidelines (where applicable)
- Output displayed (where applicable)
- Examples

Purpose, Syntax, and Attributes

For each command, the description begins by explaining the purpose or function of the command. Then, a syntax diagram and complete attribute descriptions present what keywords and variables make up the command: which are required, which are optional, and what the default assignments for the optional items are. The meanings of the symbols used in the syntax diagrams are described in .

For most RDFCOM commands, the attributes specify configuration values stored in either:

- The RDF configuration memory table, which you access by using the SET, RESET, and SHOW commands
- The RDF configuration file, which you access through the ADD, ALTER, and DELETE commands

Other attributes request display options or select systems, disk volumes, files, and other objects. Many attributes are optional, but some are required.

Where Issued

Some RDFCOM commands can be issued only from the primary system, others only from the backup system, and still others from either system. For each command, the allowed systems are listed in “Where Issued.” For your convenience, they are also summarized in Table 8-1.

Security Restrictions

Although several RDFCOM commands are available to all users, other commands impact the overall RDF environment and are, by default, restricted to members of the super-user group. For each command, the default security requirements appear under the heading “Security Restrictions.” In general, the default security restrictions for RDFCOM commands are:

- The EXIT, FC, HELP, HISTORY, INFO, OBEY, OPEN, OUT, SHOW, and STATUS commands can be used by all users.
- The START RDF and TAKEOVER commands can only be used by the member of the super-user group who initialized RDF.
- The other RDFCOM commands can be used only by members of the super-user group.

The default security restrictions for all RDFCOM commands are summarized in Table 8-2.

RDF State Requirement

Some RDFCOM commands can only be entered after RDF has been started; others must be entered before the subsystem has been started or after it has been stopped. In each command description, these constraints are listed under the heading “RDF State Requirement.”

Usage Guidelines

Details about the proper use of a command appear in “Usage Guidelines.” These details include information about when to apply the command, possible constraints and unexpected effects of the command, hints on enhancing performance and avoiding errors, and other considerations.

When a command is extremely basic or straightforward, the command description omits the “Usage Guidelines.”

Table 8-1 Systems for RDFCOM Commands

	Extrador	Image Trail	Monitor	RDF	Receiver	Purger	Update	Volume	RDFNET	Network	Trigger	Other Objects
ADD	P	P	P	P	P	P		P	P	P	P	
ALTER	P		P	P	P	P		P	P	P	E	
COPYAUDIT												B
DELETE		P						P			E	
EXIT												E
FC												E
HELP												E
HISTORY												E
INFO	E	E	E	E	E	E		E	E	E	E	
INITIALIZE				P								
OBEY												E
OPEN												E
OUT												E
RESET	P	P	P	P	P	P		P	P	P	P	
SET	P	P	P	P	P	P		P	P	P	P	
SHOW	P	E	E	E	E	E		E	E	E	E	
START				P			P					
STATUS	E			E	E	E		E	E			E**
STOP				E			P					P*
Legend P = Primary only B = Backup only E = Either * = SYNCH ** = RIDWARNING												

Table 8-1 Systems for RDFCOM Commands *(continued)*

	Extrador	Image Trail	Monitor	RDF	Receiver	Purger	Update	Volume	RDFNET	Network	Trigger	Other Objects
TAKEOVER												B
UNPINAUDIT												P
VALIDATE												P
Legend P = Primary only B = Backup only E = Either * = SYNCH ** = RTDWARNING												

Table 8-2 Default User Security for RDFCOM Commands

	Extrador	Image Trail	Monitor	RDF	Receiver	Purger	Update	Volume	RDFNET	Network	Trigger	Other Objects
ADD	S	S	S	S	S	S		S	S	S	S	
ALTER	S		S	S	S	S		S	S	S	S	
COPYAUDIT												O*
DELETE		S						S			S	
EXIT												A
FC												A
HELP												A
HISTORY												A
INFO	A	A	A	A	A	A		A	A	A	A	A*
INITIALIZE				O*								
OBEY												X
OPEN												A
Legend: A = All users S = Super-user group only O = owner of RDF subsystem * = Must also have remote password for primary node X = Depends on which commands are in the file ** = RTDWARNING *** = SYNCH												

Table 8-2 Default User Security for RDFCOM Commands *(continued)*

	Extrador	Image Trail	Monitor	RDF	Receiver	Purger	Update	Volume	RDFNET	Network	Trigger	Other Objects
OUT												A
RESET	S	S	S	S	S	S		S	S	S	S	
SET	S	S	S	S	S	S		S	S	S	S	
SHOW	A	A	A	A	A	A		A	A	A	A	
START				O*			S*					
STATUS	A			A*	A*	A*		A*	A	A		A**
STOP				S*			S*					S***
TAKEOVER												O
UNPINAUDIT												S
VALIDATE												S
Legend: A = All users S = Super-user group only O = owner of RDF subsystem * = Must also have remote password for primary node X = Depends on which commands are in the file ** = RTDWARNING *** = SYNCH												

Output Displayed

For the RDFCOM commands that display output at your terminal (for example, the INFO, SHOW, and STATUS series of commands), the elements that appear are explained in “Output Displayed.”

Examples

Under the heading “Examples,” each command description presents one or more examples showing how the command is used. For commands that display information, sample output also appears. Command entries and other user input appear in bold type; RDFCOM output appears in regular type.

RDFCOM-Related Filenames and Process Identifiers

File names and process identifiers sometimes appear as attributes in RDFCOM commands.

These names typically identify objects such as disk files, log devices, and processes. Errors can result from improperly specifying these names in RDFCOM commands. In almost all commands, these names are governed by the common syntax rules described in the following paragraphs. Where exceptions to these rules occur, they are noted in the individual command descriptions.

The system does not distinguish between uppercase and lowercase alphabetic characters in a file name. If all the optional left-hand parts of a file name are present, it is called a **fully qualified** file name; if any of the optional left-hand parts are missing, it is called a **partially qualified** file name.

For more information about file names and process identifiers and the rules that govern them, see the *Guardian Procedure Calls Reference Manual*.

Reserved File Names

Subvolume names and file names that begin with the letter “Z” are reserved.

Disk File Names

The syntax for a file name that identifies a disk file is:

```
[system.] [[volume.] subvol.] filename  
or  
[system.] [volume.] temp-filename
```

system

specifies the name of the system on which the file resides. A system name consists of a backslash (\) followed by one to seven alphanumeric characters; the first alphanumeric character must be a letter.

volume

specifies the name of the volume on which the file resides. A volume name consists of a dollar sign (\$) followed by one to six alphanumeric characters; the first alphanumeric character must be a letter.

subvol

specifies the name of the subvolume on which the file resides. A subvolume name has one to eight alphanumeric characters; the first character must be a letter.

filename

specifies the name of a permanent disk file. A permanent-file name consists of one to eight alphanumeric characters, the first of which must be a letter.

temp-filename

specifies the name of a temporary disk file. A temporary-file name consists of a pound-sign (#) followed by four to seven numeric characters. The operating system assigns names to temporary files.

The following is an example of a fully qualified disk file name:

```
\hdq.$mkt.reports.finance
```

Nondisk Device Names

The syntax for a file name that identifies a nondisk device is:

```
[system.] device-name[.qualifier]  
or  
[system.] ldev-number
```

system

specifies the name of the system on which the device resides. A system name consists of a backslash (\) followed by one to seven alphanumeric characters; the first alphanumeric character must be a letter.

device-name

specifies the name of a device. A device name consists of a dollar sign (\$) followed by one to seven alphanumeric characters; the first alphanumeric character must be a letter.

qualifier

is an optional qualifier. It consists of a pound sign (#) followed by one to seven alphanumeric characters; the first alphanumeric character must be a letter.

ldev-number

specifies a logical device number. A logical device number is represented by a dollar sign (\$) followed by a maximum of five digits. The logical device number 0 (represented "\$0") is reserved for the Event Management Service (EMS) collector process.

The following are examples of file names that identify nondisk devices:

```
\ny.$s.#titan3s  
$s.#lp  
$tape4  
$10
```

Process File Names

RDFCOM commands can refer to (and display information about) named processes. In these commands, process names can include no more than six characters: a dollar sign followed by one letter followed by one to four alphanumeric characters.

The following are examples of file names that identify named processes:

```
$zb  
$zsv  
$app2
```

RDFCOM Commands

Most RDFCOM commands operate on configuration attributes that govern the behavior of either the overall RDF subsystem or individual RDF processes.

The RDF configuration parameter settings are first specified in the configuration memory table, a buffer that serves as a temporary repository for these values. You define the parameter settings in this table through the SET command, display them with the SHOW command, and reset them to their default values with the RESET command. RDF assigns default values for any parameter settings that you do not specify.

The parameter settings in the configuration memory table are reset to their default values at the start of your RDFCOM session. Thus, when you start a new session, the defaults prevail until you change them by entering new SET commands.

When the configuration memory table contains the parameter settings you need, you can apply them to the permanent configuration file with the ADD command. After you issue the ADD command, the SET command values remain in memory until altered by subsequent SET or RESET commands. You can alter the settings in this file with the ALTER command, display them with the INFO command, remove an entire configuration record with the DELETE command, or clear the entire table with the INITIALIZE RDF command.

In the configuration file, unlike the configuration memory table, the parameter settings remain unchanged until you explicitly alter them. The settings in the file are not affected by the end of a session—when you start a new session, the values that existed at the end of the last session survive into the new session.

Descriptions of all RDFCOM commands follow in alphabetical order.

ADD

The ADD command applies configuration parameter values for the specified process or other object from the RDF configuration memory table to the RDF configuration file.

```
ADD {RDF
    {MONITOR
    {EXTRACTOR
    {RECEIVER
    {IMAGETRAIL $volume
    {PURGER
    {RDFNET
    {NETWORK
    {[VOLUME] $volume
    {TRIGGER trigger-type }
```

RDF

applies RDF global configuration parameters.

MONITOR

applies configuration parameters for the monitor.

EXTRACTOR

applies configuration parameters for an extractor.

RECEIVER

applies configuration parameters for a receiver.

IMAGETRAIL *\$volume*

adds a secondary image trail to the configuration, implicitly identifying that trail by the name of the volume on the backup system to be used for its storage. You can add secondary image trails only after RDF has been initialized and before it has been started for the first time. You must also previously have added the receiver process.

PURGER

applies configuration parameters for the purger.

RDFNET

applies configuration parameters for the RDFNET process.

NETWORK

applies configuration parameters for an RDF network.

[VOLUME] *\$volume*

applies configuration parameters for an updater process, implicitly identifying the updater process by the name of the volume on the primary system for which this process is responsible. The updater volume must be audited by TMF.

TRIGGER *trigger-type*

applies configuration parameters for a trigger entity. *trigger-type* is either REVERSE or TAKEOVER.

Where Issued

Primary system only.

Security Restrictions

You can issue the ADD command if you are a member of the super-user group.

RDF State Requirement

Except for the ADD VOLUME and ADD TRIGGER commands, you can issue any ADD command only after initializing RDF but before entering the first START RDF command. After RDF is initialized, you can issue an ADD VOLUME or ADD TRIGGER command anytime RDF is stopped.

Usage Guidelines

With the ADD command, all configuration parameter settings that you previously supplied in SET commands for the particular process or other object are applied from the RDF memory table to the RDF configuration file. Any parameter settings that you did not supply are set to their default values.

Each volume on the primary system protected by RDF requires a corresponding updater process on the backup system. You must issue one ADD VOLUME command for every primary system volume to be protected by RDF.

Although more than one primary volume can be protected by a single disk volume on the backup system, HP strongly recommends that you configure your environment so that each updater process writes to its own volume (that is, that there is a one-to-one mapping of primary volumes to backup volumes).

If you add an updater process after you stop RDF, the context record of the new updater process is set to that of the receiver's context for particular image trail of the updater. So, after the next START RDF command, the newly added updater process begins reading from the current image file at the same place that the receiver process begins writing.



CAUTION: After RDF is configured and running, do not add an updater process unless a STOP TMF command has shut down RDF; otherwise, you cannot be sure that the data on the newly added backup system volume is synchronized with the data on the corresponding primary system volume.

The master image trail identified by the RDFVOLUME parameter in the SET RECEIVER command is reserved for use by the MAT receiver process. All updaters must be configured to secondary image trails. Each image trail is stored on a separate volume on the backup system. To add a secondary image trail, you specify the disk volume intended for its use through the ADD IMAGETRAIL command. When you configure your individual updater processes with the SET VOLUME command, you assign each of these processes to a different image trail, reducing the number of updaters contending for a specific trail.

Each secondary image trail contains only that audit data required by the associated updaters. Image files in secondary image trails have the same extent sizes as image files on the volume specified by RDFVOLUME. Because the extent sizes for secondary image trails are obtained from the receiver's configuration record, you do not specify them through any RDFCOM commands.

With RDF/IMP, IMPX, or ZLT, if your RDF configuration is not particularly small (say, 30 volumes or more) and your performance requirements are not high, you can assign one image trail per updater process, and you can place that image trail on the updater's UPDATEVOLUME. If you have the need for high performance, however, even on a small system, it might be best to have a dedicated volume for your image trails. For an RDF environment involving very high replication rates, you should not configure more than 3 or 4 updaters to an image trail if the replication rate of these updaters is high.

You cannot add secondary image trails until you have configured the receiver, because the extent sizes for these trails depend on those specified for the receiver's master image files.

Examples

To configure the extractor process named \$EXT to run in CPUs 0 and 1 at the default priority of 165 with the default RTD warning threshold of 60 seconds, enter the following commands:

```
] SET EXTRACTOR PROCESS $EXT
] SET EXTRACTOR CPUS 0:1
] ADD EXTRACTOR
```

To define \$SYSTEM.RDFIMP as the location of the RDF software, enter the following commands:

```
] SET RDF SOFTWARELOC $SYSTEM.RDFIMP
] ADD RDF
```

When the preceding command sequence is executed, all of the other RDF global parameters are set to their default values: (In this list, \LONDON is the system at which you issued the command sequence.)

```
PRIMARYSYSTEM:      \LONDON
CONTROL SUBVOLUME:  LONDON
LOGFILE           :  $0
UPDATERDELAY:      10
UPDATEROPEN:       PROTECTED
UPDATEREXCEPTION:  ON
UPDATERTXTIME:     60
UPDATERRTDWARNING: 60
NETWORK:           OFF
NETWORKMASTER:     OFF
REPLICATEPURGE:    OFF
LOCKSTEPVOL:       (omitted)
OWNER:              (omitted)
```

Suppose you want to protect the volume \$DATA01 on the primary system by configuring an updater process for the volume \$DATA1 and secondary image trail \$SECIT1 on the backup system (assuming that \$SECIT1 was previously added to the RDF configuration by way of an ADD IMAGETRAIL command). Also suppose the updater process is to be named \$UP01, is to run in CPUs 2 and 3 of the backup system at the default priority of 160. In this example, we assume the ATINDEX value to be the default value of zero. To configure the updater process, enter the following commands:

```
]SET VOLUME PROCESS $UP01
]SET VOLUME CPUS 2:3
]SET VOLUME MAPFILE $DATA05.CONFIG.MAPFILE
]SET VOLUME MAPLOG $DATA05.LOG.MAPLOG
]SET VOLUME UPDATEVOLUME $DATA1
]SET VOLUME IMAGEVOLUME $SECIT1
]ADD VOLUME $DATA01
```

The SET VOLUME commands supply only values that pertain to the backup system environment; it is not until you issue an ADD VOLUME command that the updater process actually becomes associated with a particular volume on the primary system.

To define a reverse trigger, enter a command sequence such as:

```
SET TRIGGER PROGRAM $SYSTEM.RDF.RDFCOM
SET TRIGGER INFILE $DATA01.RDFCONF.RIGHT
SET TRIGGER OUTFILE $0
SET TRIGGER WAIT
SET TRIGGER CPU 0:1
SET TRIGGER PRIORITY 150
ADD TRIGGER REVERSE
```

ALTER

The ALTER command changes the setting of the specified parameter in the RDF configuration file to the supplied value.

```
ALTER {RDF      global-option                }
      {EXTRACTOR extractor-option             }
      {MONITOR   monitor-option                }
      {RECEIVER  receiver-option               }
      {PURGER    purger-option                 }
      {RDFNET    netsynch-option              }
      {TRIGGER   {trigger-type } {trigger-option } }
      {VOLUME    updater-option               }
```

global-option, *extractor-option*, *monitor-option*, *receiver-option*, *purger-option*, *netsynch-option*, *trigger-option* and *updater-option*

are described under the SET RDF, SET EXTRACTOR, SET MONITOR, SET RECEIVER, SET PURGER, SET RDFNET, SET TRIGGER, and SET VOLUME commands, respectively.

trigger-type

is REVERSE or TAKEOVER. This command parameter alters a trigger that has already been added to the RDF configuration.

Where Issued

These commands can be issued only at the primary system, except altering the TAKEOVER trigger, which can also be issued on the backup system if and only if the primary system is not available.



NOTE: You should only alter the TAKEOVER trigger on the backup system if you are about to issue the TAKEOVER command. If you alter this trigger on the backup system at any other time, you must remember to issue the same alter command on the primary system when it is available again. If you fail to do this, then the next time you start RDF, the trigger information on the primary system is copied to the backup system, and the changes you had made to the trigger on the backup system are then lost.

Security Restrictions

You can issue the ALTER command if you are a member of the super-user group.

RDF State Requirement

While RDF is running, the only configuration parameters you can alter are the log file, the purge time, the RDF updater delay, the RDF UPDATEROPEN, and the priority of each RDF process. To change the setting of any other parameter, you must first stop RDF.

Usage Guidelines

Before entering the ALTER command, you can display the current configuration parameters with the INFO RDF command. After entering ALTER, you can confirm your changes by again entering INFO RDF.

For using ALTER RDF UPDATEROPEN to coordinate the taking of online dumps or reloads on the backup system, see the discussion in [Chapter 5 \(page 121\)](#).

If you use an ALTER RECEIVER command to change the EXTENTS parameter, the change will occur on the next RDF image file rollover, unless RDF has never been started since its last reinitialization.

Although you can use the SET RECEIVER RDFVOLUME command to specify the disk volume used for the master image trail, you cannot re-specify this volume by entering an ALTER RECEIVER RDFVOLUME command. To change this volume, you must reinitialize RDF and use another SET RECEIVER RDFVOLUME command followed by an ADD RECEIVER command.

If you need to change an updater's image trail volume, it is recommended that you stop TMF; wait for RDF to stop; delete the volume; re-add the volume back into the configuration, associating it to a different image trail volume; and then restart the TMF and RDF subsystems. This is the only way to ensure that the backup database will remain synchronized with the primary database.



NOTE: Altering the RDF UPDATERDELAY value is not recommended unless you have a very specific reason for doing so; any value less than the default (10 seconds) can affect updater performance.

Examples

To change the priority at which an extractor process is currently running, issue an ALTER EXTRACTOR PRIORITY command. For example, the following command changes the execution priority of the master extractor process to 170:

```
] ALTER EXTRACTOR PRIORITY 170
```

The following command changes the execution priority of the auxiliary extractor process associated with the auxiliary audit trail AUX02 to 170:

```
]ALTER EXTRACTOR ATINDEX 2 PRIORITY 170
```

To change the primary and backup CPUs for the master receiver process to CPUs 3 and 4 respectively, enter an ALTER RECEIVER CPUS command:

```
]ALTER RECEIVER CPUS 3:4
```

Remember you cannot do this particular alter operation while RDF is running.

To change the primary and alternate CPUs of a reverse trigger to CPUs 3 and 4, enter an ALTER TRIGGER CPU command:

```
]ALTER TRIGGER REVERSE CPUS 3:4
```

COPYAUDIT

This command is only for use with the triple contingency feature.

If the primary system fails, you must execute two takeovers: one on each backup system involved in the triple contingency protocol. Upon successful completion of both takeovers, the databases on the two backup systems will almost assuredly **not** be identical: one of the extractors will have been further ahead of the other in its RDF processing when the failure occurred.

The COPYAUDIT command copies missing audit records from the backup system that was **further ahead** in its RDF processing (had the **most** amount of audit data) to the system that was **further behind** (had the **least** amount of audit data).

```
COPYAUDIT , REMOTESYS name , REMOTECONTROLSUBVOL subvol
```

REMOTESYS *name*

specifies the name of the backup system that has the **most** audit records (that was **further ahead** in its RDF processing).

REMOTECONTROLSUBVOL *subvol*

specifies the name of the RDF control subvolume on the remote system.

Where Issued

Backup system only (the backup system that has the **least** amount of audit records).

Security Restrictions

You can issue the COPYAUDIT command only if you are a member of the super-user group and have remote passwords on both systems.

RDF State Requirement

After an RDF takeover operation has completed successfully on both backup systems, you must issue the COPYAUDIT command while RDF is stopped.

Usage Guidelines

Upon successful completion of the two takeovers, examine the EMS event log on both backup systems for a 735 message. That message, which follows the 724 message in the log, specifies the last position in the MAT that was seen by the receiver process. Compare the MAT positions in the two 735 messages and determine which of the two systems was **further behind** in its RDF processing when the failure occurred (that is, which system had received the **least** amount of audit data from the extractor by the time the primary system was lost). Then issue a COPYAUDIT command on the system that is behind, specifying the name of the other backup system and its RDF control subvolume.

For the following discussion, assume that you have established these two RDF configurations:

RDF Configuration #1:

```
\A -----> \B
```

(The RDF control subvolume is A1 on both systems.)

RDF Configuration #2:

```
\A -----> \C  
(The RDF control subvolume is A2 on both systems.)
```

Assume you have lost the original primary system (\A), you have successfully completed a takeover on both backup systems (\B and \C), and the MAT positions displayed by the respective 735 messages are:

\B: 735 LAST MAT POSITION: Sno 10, RBA 100500000

\C: 735 LAST MAT POSITION: Sno 10, RBA 100000000

500 kilobytes of audit records is missing at \C.

Because \C has the **least** amount of audit records, you must issue the following command on \C:

```
COPYAUDIT , REMOTESYS \B, REMOTECONTROLSUBVOL A1
```

For each image trail, RDFCOM on \C reads its own context file to determine the MAT position of the last audit record in the trail. RDFCOM then searches the corresponding trail on \B to find that audit record and performs large block transfers to move all audit records beyond that point to the trail on \C. As it does this, RDFCOM issues messages to let you know which image trail it is currently processing.



NOTE: When it begins copying missing audit records from one system to the other, RDFCOM never alters any of the existing image trail files on the local system. Instead, it creates a brand new image file on the local system even if the starting point of the missing audit records on the other system is within a file with a different sequence number. This means that, upon completion of the COPYAUDIT operation, the local system will almost always have more image trail files (one or two per image trail) than the other system. This is expected behavior.

Because a takeover has already completed previously on \C, RDFCOM must now update the context records of the affected updaters and the receiver on \C (again, RDFCOM issues a message to let you know it is doing this). RDFCOM must update the context records because it just added new audit records to the image trails, and the updaters must have a chance to apply that information upon successful completion of a subsequent (required) takeover.

Each updater has an exception file containing information about all of the audit records it could not apply because the abort/commit status of the associated transaction was unknown at the time of the original takeover. Because RDFCOM added more audit records to the image trail, there is a chance that the outcome of some of these transactions is now known. Therefore, RDFCOM repositions the updater's restart location back to the first record that it could not previously apply. (If there were no exception records, then RDFCOM leaves the updater's restart location unchanged.)

Finally, RDFCOM turns off the receiver's takeover completed flag and issues a message telling you that the COPYAUDIT operation has completed successfully and you must initiate another takeover on \C. Issue a TAKEOVER command on \C. If the takeover completes successfully (the receiver logs an RDF message 724 followed by a 735 message containing the same detail as in the 735 message associated with the takeover on \B), the two databases are logically identical.

At that point you can initialize, configure, and start RDF on both systems, and then resume application processing on the new primary system with full RDF protection.

COPYAUDIT Restartability

The COPYAUDIT command is restartable.

If an error condition aborts execution of a COPYAUDIT command, you merely correct the condition and then reissue the command. Upon restart, RDFCOM quickly checks the local system image files it had previously created to be sure they are still correct, deletes the file it was working

on at the time of the error condition, and then resumes copying. Because it keeps track of where it was in the COPYAUDIT operation, RDFCOM does **not** have to recopy the previously copied image files.

RDFCOM abends if it encounters network problems while searching the remote image trails for missing audit records. If that happens, RDFCOM logs a message to the EMS event log, but not to the home terminal.

If RDFCOM encounters network problems during any other phase of COPYAUDIT execution, it does not abend. Instead, it logs a message to the home terminal and aborts the COPYAUDIT command.

Example

Assume you have established two RDF configurations to provide triple contingency protection (\A to \B and \A to \C) and that the RDF control subvolume of the \A to \B configuration is A1 and the RDF control subvolume of the \A to \C configuration is A2.

Assume further that, after failure of the primary system (\A), you do a takeover on both \B and \C and determine that \B was **further ahead** in its RDF processing.

To copy the missing audit records from \B to \C, issue the following command on \C:

```
] COPYAUDIT , REMOTESYS \B, REMOTECONTROLSUBVOL A1
```

DELETE

The DELETE command deletes the entire configuration record for the specified secondary image trail, updater process, or trigger from the RDF configuration file.

```
DELETE {IMAGETRAIL $volume} [ATINDEX audittrail-index-number]  
      {[VOLUME] $volume }  
      {$volume }  
      {TRIGGER type }  
      }
```

IMAGETRAIL *\$volume*

deletes a secondary image trail from the configuration, implicitly identifying that trail by the name of the volume on the backup system where it is stored.

[ATINDEX *audittrail-index-number*]

specifies the audit trail associated with the trail or process you want to delete. 0 designates the MAT; 1 through 15 designate auxiliary audit trails AUX01 through AUX15. If you omit this parameter, RDFCOM assumes the specified trail or process is associated with the MAT.

[VOLUME] *\$volume*

deletes an updater process, implicitly identifying the updater process by the name of the **volume on the primary system for which this process is responsible**.

TRIGGER type

where type is REVERSE or TAKEOVER. This command parameter deletes a trigger that has already been added to the RDF configuration.

Where Issued

These commands can be issued only at the primary system, except deleting the TAKEOVER trigger, which can be issued on either the primary or backup system. If issued on the backup system, the primary system cannot be accessible.



NOTE: You should only delete the TAKEOVER trigger on the backup system prior to issuing the TAKEOVER command. If you delete the TAKEOVER trigger on the backup system when you are not intending to execute a takeover operation, then you must remember to delete the trigger on the primary system too when the latter comes back online. Failure to do this means that when you start RDF next, RDFCOM will copy the TAKEOVER trigger information over to the backup system, thereby reinstating it on that backup system.

Security Restrictions

You can issue the DELETE command if you are a member of the super-user group.

RDF State Requirement

After RDF is initialized, you can issue a DELETE command only when RDF is stopped.

Usage Guidelines

For the DELETE command to have any effect, a configuration record must already exist for the secondary image trail or updater process associated with the volume name supplied (that is, someone must have previously issued an ADD IMAGETRAIL or ADD VOLUME command for the volume).

When you issue a DELETE VOLUME command, RDF responds:

- The extractor process stops sending image data for the volume specified in the DELETE VOLUME command.
- The updater process associated with this volume will not be started.

Use the DELETE VOLUME command if an update volume on the backup system becomes unusable and you want RDF to continue maintaining the other volumes. In such a case, you must stop RDF at the primary system, issue the DELETE VOLUME command, and then restart RDF.

When it is convenient to do so, you can resynchronize the affected volume, configure a new updater process by issuing appropriate SET VOLUME commands, and then issue an ADD VOLUME command to restart RDF protection for the affected primary volume.

Before you can remove an image trail with the DELETE IMAGETRAIL command, you must delete all updater processes that are configured to that image trail. The DELETE IMAGETRAIL command then deletes the configuration record for the image trail and all image files currently belonging to that trail. Thus, the network connection to the backup system must be available when you enter this command.

If you need to change an updater's image trail volume, it is recommended that you stop TMF; wait for RDF to stop; delete the volume; re-add the volume back into the configuration, associating it to a different image trail volume; and then restart the TMF and RDF subsystems. This is the only way to ensure that the backup database will remain synchronized with the primary database.

Examples

Assume that RDF is protecting primary system data volumes \$DATA01, \$DATA02, and \$DATA03, and that all three volumes are configured to the MAT. Assume also that the changes are being replicated to backup system volumes \$DATA1, \$DATA2, and \$DATA3, and that the updaters for those volumes are acquiring their audit data from secondary image trail volumes \$SECIT1, \$SECIT2, and \$SECIT3, respectively.

To delete the configuration records for the updater process and secondary image trail associated with \$DATA03, enter the following commands:

```
]DELETE VOLUME $DATA03
]DELETE IMAGETRAIL $SECIT3
```

Now assume that RDF is protecting primary system data volume \$DATA06, which is configured to auxiliary audit trail AUX01. Assume also that the changes are being replicated to backup system volume \$DATA6, and that the updater for that volume is acquiring its audit data from secondary image trail volume \$SECITB.

To delete the configuration records for the updater process and secondary image trail associated with auxiliary audit trail AUX01, enter the following commands:

```
]DELETE VOLUME $DATA06 ATINDEX 1  
]DELETE IMAGETRAIL $SECITB ATINDEX 1
```

EXIT

The EXIT command ends your current RDFCOM session.

EXIT

Where Issued

Primary or backup system.

Security Restrictions

None; anyone can enter the EXIT command.

RDF State Requirement

You can issue the EXIT command at any time, whether or not RDF has been started.

Usage Guidelines

If you issue the EXIT command in your current RDFCOM session, RDFCOM terminates the session and returns control to the operating system.

If the EXIT command appears in a command file, RDFCOM stops reading the command file and ignores any commands in the file that follow the EXIT command. Furthermore, the following applies:

- If the command file name was supplied in the IN option of the command that runs RDFCOM, RDFCOM passes control to the operating system.
- If the command file name was supplied in an OBEY command issued during an interactive RDFCOM session, RDFCOM resumes control and prompts you for a new command.

You can also end the current RDFCOM session by pressing the Control and Y keys at the same time (Ctrl-Y), which is equivalent to issuing the EXIT command.

Example

When the EXIT command is issued in an interactive session, control of the terminal returns to the operating system:

```
]EXIT  
2>
```

FC

The FC (fix command) command enables you to selectively examine, edit, or repeat a previously issued RDFCOM command.

```
{FC} [text]  
{? } [text]  
{! } [text]  
{FC} [ text ]
```

requests RDFCOM to display the most recently issued command that begins with the specified *text* string and issue a period (.) prompt for your input. You can then use the subcommands

R, I, and D to replace, insert, and delete characters in the command line. If you omit the *text* parameter, RDFCOM displays the most recently issued command.

{?} [*text*]

requests RDFCOM to display the most recently issued command that begins with the specified *text* string. If you omit the *text* parameter, RDFCOM displays the most recently issued command.

{!} [*text*]

requests RDFCOM to execute the most recently issued command that begins with the specified *text* string. If you omit the *text* parameter, RDFCOM executes the most recently issued command.

Where Issued

Primary or backup system.

Security Restrictions

None; anyone can enter the FC command.

RDF State Requirement

You can enter the FC command at any time, whether or not RDF has been started.

Usage Guidelines

When you issue an FC command, the requested command appears, followed by a subcommand prompt (.). At the prompt, you can enter the subcommands R, I, or D to respectively replace, insert, or delete characters in the command line. As a simpler alternative to the R subcommand, you can simply enter the replacement character directly under the character you want to replace.

When you enter the ? or ! character instead of the keyword FC, the requested command appears but you are not prompted for subcommands to change it; use the ? or ! when you only want to display the command, not change it.

The FC command is a standard feature of many HP software products. For more information about how to use this command, see the *TACL Reference Manual*.

Examples

Suppose you enter the INFO MONITOR command, but mistype the second character in MONITOR and receive an error message as a result:

```
] INFO MINITOR
```

```
Expecting:  RDF, MONITOR, EXTRACTOR, RECEIVER, PURGER, IMAGETRAIL
            Or:  NETWORK, RDFNET, TRIGGER, VOLUME, "*" or a Volume name
]
```

You can correct this mistake by entering the FC command, which redisplay the INFO MONITOR command as you erroneously entered it, followed by a prompt for your R, I, or D subcommand or replacement character:

```
] FC
] INFO MINITOR
.
```

To correct the entry, following the subcommand prompt, enter the replacement character O under the incorrect letter (I) that appears on the previous line, and then press the Return key (or its equivalent) to transmit the correction:

```
] INFO MINITOR
.      O
```

RDF now displays the corrected INFO MONITOR command followed by another prompt that asks for any further corrections. Because you have no further changes, you press the Return key after the subcommand prompt. Now, RDFCOM processes the INFO MONITOR command, this time successfully.

```
] INFO MONITOR
.  
MONITOR CPUS 0:1  
MONITOR PRIORITY 170  
MONITOR PROCESS $MON  
]
```

On the next line, suppose you inadvertently enter an extra character in the SHOW RDF command:

```
] SHOW RDDF  
Expecting: RDF, MONITOR, EXTRACTOR, RECEIVER, PURGER, IMAGETRAIL  
           Or: NETWORK, RDFNET, TRIGGER, or VOLUME  
]
```

You correct this entry by entering the FC command followed by the D (for delete) subcommand under the extra character displayed:

```
] FC  
] SHOW RDDF  
.      D  
] SHOW RDF  
.  
RDF SOFTWARELOC      $SYSTEM.RDF  
RDF LOGFILE           $0  
RDF PRIMARYSYSTEM    \MICKEY  
RDF UPDATERDELAY      10  
RDF UPDATERTXTIME     60  
RDF UPDATERRTDWARNING 60  
RDF UPDATEROPEN      PROTECTED  
RDF NETWORK           OFF  
RDF NETWORKMASTER    OFF  
RDF UPDATEREXCEPTION  ON  
RDF REPLICATEPURGE    OFF  
RDF OWNER             SUPER.RDF
```

HELP

The HELP command displays explanatory text about RDFCOM commands and RDF messages.

```
HELP [ABBREVIATIONS ]  
      [ALL           ]  
      [command       ]  
      [RDF-msg-number]
```

ABBREVIATIONS

lists the allowed abbreviations for RDFCOM command keywords.

ALL

lists all RDFCOM commands.

command

displays information for the RDFCOM command specified by *command*.

RDF-msg-number

displays information for the RDF message specified by *RDF-msg-number*.

Where Issued

Primary or backup system.

Security Restrictions

None; anyone can enter the HELP command.

RDF State Requirement

You can issue the HELP command at any time, whether or not RDF has been started.

Usage Guidelines

This command retrieves and displays information from the RDFHELP file.

If you omit all options, RDFCOM uses the ALL option and lists all RDFCOM commands.

Examples

To display the syntax of the ADD command, enter:

```
] HELP ADD
```

RDFCOM displays:

```
ADD { RDF
      { MONITOR
      { EXTRACTOR
      { RECEIVER
      { IMAGETRAIL $volume
      { PURGER
      { RDFNET
      { NETWORK
      { TRIGGER <trigger-type>
      { VOLUME $volume
      { $volume }
```

Cannot be performed with RDF running.

Only a user in the SUPER group can execute this command.

To list all available RDFCOM commands, enter:

```
] HELP ALL
```

RDFCOM displays the following:

Help is available for the following:

Configuration Commands:

```
ADD
ALTER { RDF | MONITOR | EXTRACTOR | RECEIVER | PURGER |
        TRIGGER | RDFNET | VOLUME }
DELETE
INFO
INITIALIZE
RESET
SHOW
SET { RDF | MONITOR | EXTRACTOR | RECEIVER | IMAGETRAIL |
      PURGER | NETWORK | RDFNET | TRIGGER | VOLUME }
```

Operational Commands:

```
START
STATUS
STOP
TAKEOVER
UNPINAUDIT
VALIDATE
```

Utility Commands:

```
EXIT
FC
HELP
```

HISTORY
OBEY
OPEN
OUT

RDF Concepts:
Abbreviations

RDF error messages:
error-number

E.g., "help 700"
prints an explanation for the RDF error message 700

To display information about RDF message 715, enter:

]HELP 715

RDFCOM displays the following description:

|	715 Primary Stopped |

Cause:	The primary process of a NonStop process pair has stopped. This probably was the result of an operator inadvertently issuing a STOP command from TACL.
Effect:	The backup process takes over, but not in fault-tolerant mode, until the primary process can be re-created.
Recovery:	This is an informational message; no recovery is required.

HISTORY

The HISTORY command displays the ten most recently issued RDFCOM commands (including the HISTORY command itself).

HISTORY

Where Issued

Primary or backup system.

Security Restrictions

None; anyone can enter the HISTORY command.

RDF State Requirement

You can enter the HISTORY command at any time, whether or not RDF has been started.

Examples

Suppose the following RDFCOM commands are the nine most recently issued:

```
]ADD EXTRACTOR
]START RDF
]SHOW EXTRACTOR
]ALTER EXTRACTOR PRIORITY 170
]SHOW RECEIVER
]ALTER RECEIVER PRIORITY 175
]STATUS RDF
]ALTER MONITOR PRIORITY 195
]INFO *
```

Now, suppose you issue a HISTORY command:

```
] HISTORY
```

In response, RDFCOM displays:

History:

```
ADD EXTRACTOR
START RDF
SHOW EXTRACTOR
ALTER EXTRACTOR PRIORITY 170
SHOW RECEIVER
ALTER RECEIVER PRIORITY 175
STATUS RDF
ALTER MONITOR PRIORITY 195
INFO *
HISTORY
```

INFO

The INFO command displays the current configuration parameter values from the configuration file for the specified process or other object.

```
INFO { *                                } [ATINDEX audittrail-index-num]
     { IMAGETRAIL                        } [ ,OBEYFORM]
     { RDF                              }
     { MONITOR                          }
     { EXTRACTOR                        }
     { RECEIVER                         }
     { RDFNET                           }
     { NETWORK                          }
     { PURGER                           }
     { TRIGGER trigger-type            }
     { VOLUME *                         }
     { [VOLUME] $volume                }
```

*

displays the current configuration parameter values for the RDF global options, for all updater volumes, and for all RDF processes.

[ATINDEX *audittrail-index-num*]

is an integer value from 0 through 15 identifying the TMF audit trail on the primary system with which the particular RDF object is associated. 0 specifies the MAT. 1 through 15 specify auxiliary audit trails AUX01 through AUX15, respectively.

You can use this option only with the EXTRACTOR, IMAGETRAIL, RECEIVER, and [VOLUME] *\$volume* variations of the INFO command.

For INFO EXTRACTOR, INFO IMAGETRAIL, and INFO RECEIVER commands, the default is 0. If you omit this parameter, RDFCOM assumes you want to display information about the designated object associated with the MAT.

For INFO VOLUME commands, this parameter is optional regardless of whether the updater is associated with MAT or an auxiliary audit trail.

OBEYFORM

formats the INFO command output as command file text that can be executed by RDFCOM. Before issuing the INFO command, you can designate the command file for this text by specifying the file name in either:

- The OUT option of the RDFCOM command that begins your interactive session
- An OUT command issued during the session

If you do not specify a command file for the text, TACL supplies the name of its current default output destination—usually the terminal from which you began your session.

The subsystem saves the text in the command file, also embedding the appropriate SET and ADD commands. Any time you want, you can execute the text by specifying the command file name in an OBEY command or in the IN option of the RDFCOM command that begins a session, producing a new RDF configuration based on the one captured by the INFO command. You can use the OBEYFORM option with any variation of the INFO command: for example, with INFO EXTRACTOR, INFO RDF, or INFO *.

IMAGETRAIL

displays the names of all volumes on the backup system that are configured as secondary image trail volumes.

RDF

displays the current configuration parameter values for the RDF global options.

MONITOR

displays the current configuration parameter values for the monitor process.

EXTRACTOR

displays the current configuration parameter values for the extractor process.

RECEIVER

displays the current configuration parameter values for the receiver process.

RDFNET

displays the current configuration parameter values for the RDFNET process.

NETWORK

displays the current configuration parameter values for an RDF network.

PURGER

displays the current configuration parameter values for the purger process.

TRIGGER trigger-type

displays the current configuration parameter values for the specified trigger type (REVERSE, TAKEOVER, or *). INFO TRIGGER * displays both REVERSE and TAKEOVER triggers, if any are defined.

VOLUME *

displays the current configuration parameter values for all updater processes.

[VOLUME] \$volume

displays the current configuration parameter values for an updater process, implicitly identifying the updater process by the name of the volume on the primary system for which this process is responsible.

Where Issued

Primary or backup system.

Security Restrictions

None; anyone can enter the INFO command.

RDF State Requirements

You can enter the INFO command any time after RDF has been initialized.

Usage Guidelines

This command retrieves its information from the RDF configuration file.

Output Displayed

The parameters displayed for the RDF global options, secondary image trails, and the individual processes are explained under the SET IMAGETRAIL, SET RDF, SET MONITOR, SET EXTRACTOR, SET RECEIVER, SET RDFNET, SET NETWORK, SET PURGER, and SET VOLUME command descriptions.

Examples

Examples of several INFO commands follow.

INFO * Command

To display all current RDF configuration parameters for both the primary and backup systems, enter:

```
] INFO *
```

RDF displays the currently configured RDF parameter values in the following manner:

```
RDF SOFTWARELOC $SYSTEM.RDF
RDF BACKUPSYSTEM \TORONTO
RDF CONTROL SUBVOLUME SANFRAN
RDF LOGFILE $0
RDF PRIMARYSYSTEM \SANFRAN
RDF UPDATERDELAY 10
RDF UPDATERTEXTIME 10
RDF UPDATERRTDWARNING 60
RDF UPDATEROPEN PROTECTED
RDF NETWORK OFF
RDF NETWORKMASTER OFF
RDF UPDATEREXCEPTION OFF
RDF REPLICATEPURGE      OFF
```

```
MONITOR CPUS 1:2
MONITOR PRIORITY 165
MONITOR PROCESS $MON1
```

```
EXTRACTOR ATINDEX 0
EXTRACTOR CPUS 2:1
EXTRACTOR PRIORITY 165
EXTRACTOR PROCESS $EXT
EXTRACTOR RTDWARNING 60
```

```
PURGER CPUS 3:2
PURGER PRIORITY 165
PURGER PROCESS $PURG
PURGER RETAINCOUNT 50
PURGER PURGETIME 60
```

```
RECEIVER ATINDEX 0
RECEIVER CPUS 1:2
RECEIVER EXTENTS (1000,1000)
RECEIVER PRIORITY 165
RECEIVER RDFVOLUME $DATA2
RECEIVER FASTUPDATEMODE OFF
RECEIVER PROCESS $RECV
```

```
IMAGETRAIL ATINDEX 0
IMAGETRAIL $SECIT1
```

```
IMAGETRAIL ATINDEX 0
IMAGETRAIL $SECIT2
```

```
VOLUME $DATA01
VOLUME ATINDEX 0
```

```
VOLUME CPUS 2:1
VOLUME PRIORITY 160
VOLUME UPDATEVOLUME $DATA1
VOLUME IMAGEVOLUME $SECIT1
VOLUME PROCESS $UP01
```

```
VOLUME $DATA02
VOLUME ATINDEX 0
VOLUME CPUS 2:1
VOLUME PRIORITY 160
VOLUME UPDATEVOLUME $DATA2
VOLUME IMAGEVOLUME $SECIT2
VOLUME PROCESS $UP02
```

```
VOLUME $DATA03
VOLUME ATINDEX 0
VOLUME CPUS 2:1
VOLUME PRIORITY 160
VOLUME UPDATEVOLUME $DATA3
VOLUME IMAGEVOLUME $SECIT2
VOLUME PROCESS $UP03
```

```
TRIGGER PROGRAM $SYSTEM.RDF.RDFCOM
TRIGGER INFILE $DATA01.RDF.RDFCONF
TRIGGER OUTFILE $DATA01.RDF.OUTFILE
TRIGGER CPUS 0:1
TRIGGER PRIORITY 150
TRIGGER NOWAIT
TRIGGER REVERSE
```

The primary system name is set implicitly and the backup system name is set in the INITIALIZE RDF command.

INFO EXTRACTOR Command

To display the current configuration parameters for the auxiliary extractor process associated with auxiliary audit trail AUX02, enter the following command:

```
] INFO EXTRACTOR ATINDEX 2
```

The output shows that the auxiliary extractor for AUX02 is configured with its default parameter values: running in CPUs 2 and 1, with a priority of 165, and with the default RTD warning threshold of 60 seconds:

```
EXTRACTOR ATINDEX 2
EXTRACTOR CPUS 2:1
EXTRACTOR PRIORITY 165
EXTRACTOR PROCESS $EXT2
EXTRACTOR RTDWARNING 60
```

INFO EXTRACTOR Command With OBEYFORM Option

The OBEYFORM option is useful when you want to create an RDF configuration command file from an existing configuration: for example, for later use in an OBEY command. To copy the current extractor process configuration parameters in command file format to the output file named \$RDF.EX.COMFL, enter:

```
] OUT $RDF.EX.COMFL
] INFO EXTRACTOR, OBEYFORM
```

RDF produces the following output, based on the configuration used in the previous example:

```
SET EXTRACTOR ATINDEX 2
SET EXTRACTOR CPUS 2:1
SET EXTRACTOR PRIORITY 165
SET EXTRACTOR PROCESS $EXT2
```

```
SET EXTRACTOR RTDWARNING 60
ADD EXTRACTOR
```

INFO MONITOR Command

To display the current configuration parameters for the monitor process, enter:

```
] INFO MONITOR
```

RDF displays output in the following format:

```
MONITOR PROCESS $MON
MONITOR CPUS 2:1
MONITOR PRIORITY 170
```

You would see this particular output, for example, if you originally configured the monitor to run in CPUs 2 and 1 at the default priority of 165, but later changed the priority to 170 (using an ALTER command).

INFO RDF Command

To display the current RDF global configuration parameters, enter:

```
] INFO RDF
```

RDF displays the following:

```
RDF SOFTWARELOC $SYSTEM.RDF
RDF BACKUPSYSTEM \TORONTO
RDF CONTROL SUBVOLUME SANFRAN
RDF LOGFILE $0
RDF PRIMARYSYSTEM \SANFRAN
RDF UPDATERDELAY 10
RDF UPDATERTEXTIME 60
RDF UPDATERRTDWARNING 60
RDF UPDATEROPEN PROTECTED
RDF NETWORK OFF
RDF NETWORKMASTER OFF
RDF UPDATEREXCEPTION ON
RDF REPLICATEPURGE OFF
RDF REMOTE MIRROR OFF
RDF RDF/IMPX/ZLT
```

The primary system name is set implicitly and the backup system name is set in the INITIALIZE RDF command.

INFO VOLUME Command

Suppose that you configured an updater process named \$UP1 to back up all changes made to audited files on the primary volume named \$DATA01, and that the corresponding volume on the backup system is \$DATA1. Also suppose \$UP1 was configured to the secondary image trail \$SECIT1 on the backup system (and that \$SECIT1 was previously added to the RDF configuration using an ADD IMAGE TRAIL command).

To display the current configuration parameters for that updater process, enter:

```
] INFO VOLUME $DATA01
```

RDF displays the following:

```
VOLUME $DATA01
VOLUME ATINDEX 0
VOLUME CPUS 0:1
VOLUME IMAGEVOLUME $SECIT1
VOLUME PRIORITY 170
VOLUME PROCESS $UP1
VOLUME UPDATEVOLUME $DATA1
```

Now, suppose you configured three updater processes (named \$UP01, \$UP02, and \$UP03) and that those processes are backing up the primary system volumes \$DATA01, \$DATA02, and \$DATA03, respectively, onto the volumes \$DATA1, \$DATA2, and \$DATA3 on the backup

system. The updaters \$UP01 and \$UP02 are accessing the secondary image trail \$SECIT1; updater \$UP03 is accessing the secondary image trail \$SECIT2.

To display the current configuration parameters for all of the updater processes, enter:

```
] INFO VOLUME *
```

RDF displays the following:

```
VOLUME $DATA01
VOLUME ATINDEX 0
VOLUME CPUS 0:1
VOLUME IMAGEVOLUME $SECIT1
VOLUME PRIORITY 160
VOLUME PROCESS $UP01
```

```
VOLUME UPDATEVOLUME $DATA1
```

```
VOLUME $DATA02
VOLUME ATINDEX 0
VOLUME CPUS 2:3
VOLUME IMAGEVOLUME $SECIT1
VOLUME PRIORITY 160
VOLUME PROCESS $UP02
VOLUME UPDATEVOLUME $DATA2
```

```
VOLUME $DATA03
VOLUME ATINDEX 0
VOLUME CPUS 4:5
VOLUME IMAGEVOLUME $SECIT2
VOLUME PRIORITY 160
VOLUME PROCESS $UP03
VOLUME UPDATEVOLUME $DATA3
```

INFO PURGER Command

To display the current configuration parameters for the purger process, enter the following command:

```
] INFO PURGER
```

The output shows that the purger is configured with the following parameter values: running in CPUs 3 and 2, with a priority of 165, with a retaincount of 50, with a purgetime of 60, and with the process name \$PURG:

```
PURGER CPUS 3:2
PURGER PRIORITY 165
PURGER PROCESS $PURG
PURGER RETAINCOUNT 50
PURGER PURGETIME 60
```

INFO TRIGGER Command

To display the configuration parameters for any currently-configured triggers, enter the following command:

```
] INFO TRIGGER *
```

The following output shows that both a reverse trigger and a takeover trigger are configured with the designated parameter values:

```
TRIGGER PROGRAM $SYSTEM.RDF.RDFCOM
TRIGGER INFILE $DATA01.RDF.REVTRIG
TRIGGER OUTFILE $DATA01.RDF.OUTFILE
TRIGGER CPUS 0:1
TRIGGER PRIORITY 150
TRIGGER NOWAIT
TRIGGER REVERSE
```

```
TRIGGER PROGRAM $SYSTEM.SYSTEM.TACL
```

```
TRIGGER INFILE $DATA01.RDF.TKOVER
TRIGGER OUTFILE $DATA01.RDF.OUTFILE
TRIGGER CPUS 0:1
TRIGGER PRIORITY 150
TRIGGER NOWAIT
TRIGGER TAKEOVER
```

INFO TRIGGER Command With OBEYFORM Option

Like all INFO commands, INFO TRIGGER supports the optional OBEYFORM parameter. The output of an INFO TRIGGER REVERSE, OBEYFORM command might be:

```
SET TRIGGER PROGRAM $SYSTEM.RDF.RDFCOM
SET TRIGGER INFILE $DATA01.RDF.RDFCONF
SET TRIGGER OUTFILE $DATA01.RDF.OUTFILE
SET TRIGGER CPUS 0:1
SET TRIGGER PRIORITY 150
SET TRIGGER NOWAIT
ADD TRIGGER REVERSE
```

INFO RDFNET Command

To display the current configuration parameters for the RDFNET process, enter the following command:

```
] INFO RDFNET
```

RDF displays the following:

```
RDFNET PROCESS $MNET
RDFNET CPUS 0:1
RDFNET PRIORITY 180
```

INFO NETWORK Command

To display the current RDF network configuration parameters, enter the following command:

```
] INFO NETWORK
```

RDF displays the following:

```
NETWORK PRIMARYSYSTEM \RDF04
NETWORK BACKUPSYSTEM \RDF06
NETWORK RCSV RDF04
NETWORK PNETTXVOLUME $DATA07
```

INITIALIZE RDF

The INITIALIZE RDF command creates the RDF configuration and context files for establishment of a new RDF configuration.



NOTE: If you plan to initialize more than one RDF subsystem on your primary system, then you must open each new control subvolume before you initialize and configure your new RDF environment. This means that after you have initialized one RDF subsystem, you must enter an OPEN command, specifying the next control subvolume. You can then enter the INITIALIZE command. If a configuration file is not already in the specified control subvolume when the open command is issued, RDFCOM issues a warning indicating that a configuration record was not found. This is expected behavior.

There must be no files in the control subvolume on either the primary or backup systems when you issue this command, otherwise the command will fail. If you are issuing the INITIALIZE RDF command within an existing RDF configuration, you must first delete all the files from the RDF control subvolume on both the primary and backup systems. Alternatively, you can use the "#" option at the end of the command and it will purge all files in the control subvolume on the primary and backup system.

```
INITIALIZE RDF , BACKUPSYSTEM backup-system-name
[ , SUFFIX suffix-character ]
[ , TIMESTAMP <day><mon><year><hour>:<min> ]
[ , INITTIME <day><mon><year><hour>:<min> | NOW ]
[ , SYNCHDBTIME <day><mon><year><hour>:<min> ]
[!]
```

backup-system-name

specifies the backup system. The system name begins with a backslash (\) followed by 1 to 7 letters or digits; the first character following the backslash must be a letter. There is no default system name.

suffix-character

is an alphanumeric character to be appended to the primary system name to form the RDF control subvolume name. If you omit the SUFFIX parameter, the default control subvolume name is the name of the primary system with no suffix character.

TIMESTAMP<day><mon><year><hour>:<min>

causes RDF to initialize at the specified time, which must correspond exactly to the time of a TMF shutdown.



NOTE: There is no space between day, month, and year. The seconds must not be included in the timestamp.

day

is a number from 1 to 31.

month

is the first three letters of the month, such as JAN, FEB, MAR.

year

is a four-digit number greater than 1996.

hour

is a number from 0 to 23.

min

is a number from 00 to 59. min must be preceded by a colon (:).

INITTIME <day><mon><year><hour>:<min> | NOW

is a timestamp used for online product initialization. It has the same format as the timestamp parameter described above. NOW causes RDF to be initialized at the current date and time.

To determine the appropriate value to use as the inittime parameter, first issue an RDFCOM STATUS RDF command and take note of the highest updater RTD time. Then round that RTD time up to the next highest minute interval (0:43 becomes 1:00, 1:27 becomes 2:00, 3:04 becomes 4:00, and so forth). Finally, subtract that rounded-up time from the current system time as shown in the status display.

```
inittime := (current-system-time - rounded-highest-updater-RTD-time)
```

RDFCOM then subtracts an additional three minutes from the specified time stamp. This is to ensure that the extractor's starting position is at a point in the MAT where RDF had previously sent audit records to the backup system and the updaters had applied it to the backup database. This practice guarantees that no audit records are lost during reinitialization.

See "Initializing RDF Without Stopping TMF (Using INITTIME Option)" (page 80) and "Online Installation and Initialization Without Stopping RDF" (page 82) for a description of this feature.

The NOW option should only be used with REVERSE operations. NOW simplifies initialization and configuration of a reverse RDF subsystem that is created during the execution of a reverse trigger. See the example in the discussion of the "SET TRIGGER" (page 235).

SYNCHDBTIME <day><mon><year><hour>:<min>

is a timestamp used for online database synchronization. It has the same format as the timestamp parameter described above.

There are no special considerations for specifying the synchdbtime parameter, except that it must designate a time earlier than the present time.

The SYNCHDBTIME parameter can only be used if RDF/IMP, IMPX, or ZLT is installed on both the primary and backup systems.

For a description of the online synchronization feature, see [Chapter 7 \(page 167\)](#).

!

causes the command to be executed without further confirmation. If you omit the exclamation point, RDFCOM prompts you for additional responses:

- If you omit the TIMESTAMP, INITTIME, SYNCHDBTIME, and ! options, RDFCOM displays:

```
Are you sure you want to initialize? [Y/N]
```

```
Enter Y or YES to proceed; enter N or NO to cancel the command.
```

- If you include the TIMESTAMP option without the ! option, RDFCOM displays:

```
Do you wish to proceed? [Y/N]
```

```
Enter Y or YES to proceed; enter N or NO to cancel the command.
```

```
If you enter Y or YES, RDFCOM displays:
```

```
Please wait while RDF searches for the specified timestamp.  
TMF shutdown at 12JAN2004 14:30 has been found. RDF will  
start at RBA: 376275 MAT file: $AUDIT.ZTMFAT.AA000414  
Do you still wish to start at this point? [Y/N]
```

```
Enter Y or YES to proceed; enter N or NO to cancel the command.
```

- If you include the INITTIME option without the ! option, RDFCOM displays:

```
Do you wish to proceed? [Y/N]
```

```
Enter Y or YES to proceed; enter N or NO to cancel the command.
```

```
If you enter Y or YES, RDFCOM displays:
```

```
Please wait while RDF searches for the specified timestamp.  
Initialization point for 12JAN2004 14:30 has been found.  
RDF will start at RBA: 376275 MAT file: $AUDIT.ZTMFAT.AA000414  
Do you still wish to start at this point? [Y/N]
```

```
Enter Y or YES to proceed; enter N or NO to cancel the command.
```

- If you include the SYNCHDBTIME option without the ! option, RDFCOM displays:

```
Do you wish to proceed? [Y/N]
```

```
Enter Y or YES to proceed; enter N or NO to cancel the command.
```

```
If you enter Y or YES, RDFCOM displays:
```

```
Please wait while RDF searches for the specified timestamp.  
Synch point for 12JAN2004 14:30 has been found. RDF will  
start at RBA: 376275 MAT file: $AUDIT.ZTMFAT.AA000414  
Do you still wish to start at this point? [Y/N]
```

```
Enter Y or YES to proceed; enter N or NO to cancel the command.
```

#

causes the control subvolume files both on the primary and backup systems to be purged before initialization.

- If used in an interactive mode (either as a command from RDFCOM or in an OBEY file) without "!" operator, RDFCOM displays:

```
RDFCOM will purge all the files in the control subvolume
(of both local & remote systems) if present.
```

```
Do you wish to proceed? [Y/N]
```

Processing continues based on User Reply.

- This operator cannot be used inside an IN file without "!".

Where Issued

Primary system only.

Security Restrictions

You can issue the INITIALIZE RDF command if you are a member of the super-user group.

RDF State Requirement

You can issue the INITIALIZE RDF command only when RDF is stopped and no files exist in the RDF control subvolumes on either the primary and backup systems.

Usage Guidelines

If your RDF subsystem is running and you do not include the `TIMESTAMP`, `INITTIME`, or `SYNCHDBTIME` options in the INITIALIZE RDF command, then you must stop, delete, and reconfigure TMF before entering the INITIALIZE RDF command.

Before issuing the INITIALIZE RDF command within an existing RDF configuration, you must first purge all files from the control subvolume on both the primary and backup systems or you must use the # option that authorizes RDFCOM to purge all of the files.

TMF must be started on the primary system, but transaction processing need not be enabled, when you enter the INITIALIZE RDF command either with or without the `TIMESTAMP`, `INITTIME`, or `SYNCHDBTIME` options.

The INITIALIZE RDF command creates the configuration and context files for establishment of a new RDF configuration. After issuing the INITIALIZE RDF command, you must build the new configuration by entering the appropriate SET and ADD commands or by executing a command file containing those commands. Only then can you issue the START RDF command to start RDF.

The INITIALIZE RDF command also establishes the name of the RDF control subvolume, which you subsequently specify when initiating RDFCOM sessions or in OPEN commands.

If you include the SUFFIX parameter, the specified character becomes a permanent part of the RDF control subvolume name and you cannot alter it. If you want to change it, you must reinitialize RDF again and specify a new suffix character. Note, however, that if you reinitialize RDF with a new suffix character, you should remember to purge the control subvolume and image trails of the previous configuration you are replacing.

When using the INITIALIZE RDF command, follow these guidelines:

- The `INITTIME` option is particularly useful for initializing RDF without having to STOP TMF. For example, if you have been running RDF 1.8, you have stopped RDF, and you have just installed the RDF 1.9 software, use the `INITTIME` option instead of having to stop TMF. See [Chapter 3 \(page 69\)](#) for a discussion on this type of operation.
- The `SYNCHDBTIME` is the option you would use when performing an online database synchronization operation. For a full discussion on this option used in conjunction with a complete or partial database synchronization, see [Chapter 7 \(page 167\)](#).

- If you include the `TIMESTAMP`, `INITTIME`, or `SYNCHDBTIME` options in the `INITIALIZE RDF` command, the initialization will complete much quicker if all the files from the current down to the one in which the timestamp being sought is located are all on disk. If, however, some of these audit files have been dumped to tape, `RDFCOM` triggers `TMF` to prompt you to restore needed audit trail files. Therefore, not every file in the `MAT` must be present in the audit trail at the time you issue the `INITIALIZE` command. For example, if the current file is `AA000010`, files `AA000010` and `A000009` are in the `MAT`, and `A000008` contains the point where `RDF` is actually initialized but it has already been dumped to tape, then `RDFCOM` triggers `TMF` to prompt you to restore `AA000008`. When you have restored that file, `RDFCOM` continues its search in `A000008` for the correct initialization location.
- If you include the `TIMESTAMP` option in the `INITIALIZE RDF` command, then the specified *timestamp* must correspond exactly to a `TMF` shutdown point. Whenever `TMF` stops in response to a `STOP TMF` command, it writes a timestamp in the Event Management Service (EMS) log. That is the timestamp you use with the `TIMESTAMP` option of the `INITIALIZE RDF` command.
- If you do not include the `TIMESTAMP`, `INITTIME`, or `SYNCHDBTIME` options in the `INITIALIZE RDF` command, you must delete and reconfigure `TMF` before you initialize `RDF`. In this case, the extractor will transmit audit from the beginning of the first Master Audit Trail (`MAT`) file (`AA000001`).
- If you include the `TIMESTAMP` option in the `INITIALIZE RDF` command, `RDFCOM` searches backwards in the `MAT` for a `TMF` shutdown record with the specified timestamp. If you include the `INITTIME` or `SYNCHDBTIME` option, `RDFCOM` searches backwards in the `MAT` for the first commit or abort record whose timestamp is less than the specified timestamp. When it finds the shutdown record or commit/abort record, `RDFCOM` sets the context of the extractor to the record following that record.
- When `RDF` is initialized, the contexts of the receiver and all updaters are initialized to the beginning of the first image file (`AA000001`). When `RDF` is started for the first time after it has been initialized, any previously existing image files are purged.
- If you plan to include the `TIMESTAMP` option in the `INITIALIZE RDF` command, make sure that the primary system database is backed up after the `TMF` shutdown so that the backup database can be restored at this point in the audit trail. Consider the following example:
 1. `TMF` and `RDF` subsystems are running.
 2. `TMF` subsystem is stopped, and `RDF` subsystem subsequently stops.
 3. `TMF` subsystem is started and application processing resumed.
 4. `TMF` subsystem is stopped.

If you initialize `RDF` at the shutdown point at [Step 1](#), you should restore on the backup system a copy of the primary system database taken at [Step 1](#). The databases would not be synchronized if the database at [Step 2](#) was restored to the backup system.

If you initialize `RDF` to the timestamp corresponding to [Step 2](#), you should restore on the backup system a copy of the primary system database taken at [Step 2](#).

- If you are using the `TIMESTAMP` option, it is a good idea to initialize `RDF` to the latest `TMF` shutdown point. In the example immediately above, if you were to initialize `RDF` to Point 2, then, after you have initialized and started `RDF`, it will shutdown when it reaches the audit trail location of the next `TMF` shutdown at Point 4. In this case, you must initialize `RDF` at the most recent `TMF` shutdown point. If you initialize `RDF` at an earlier shutdown point, `RDF` operations will start at that point but will shut down when the next `TMF` shutdown point is reached. In this case, you must restart `RDF` quickly so that operations on the backup system do not fall too far behind those on the primary system. If you choose to initialize `RDF` at a `TMF` shutdown point that is not the most recent, watch the `RDF` event messages for the `RDF` shutdown message and then restart `RDF` immediately.

- If you include the **TIMESTAMP** option in the **INITIALIZE RDF** command, use the following guidelines to determine when you must restore the backup database:
 - If you are going to start RDF with **UPDATE ON**, restore the database to the backup system before you start RDF.
 - If you are going to start RDF with **UPDATE OFF**, you do not have to restore the database. However, if the need for an RDF takeover arises, you must then restore the database on the backup system before you issue the **TAKEOVER** command.
- In any event, if you plan to enable updating on the backup system as part of the new configuration, ensure that the primary and backup databases are logically identical before entering the **INITIALIZE RDF** command. For more information about database synchronization, see “[Understanding Database States](#)” (page 157).

Examples

The following **INITIALIZE RDF** command, issued on the primary system, \LON, initializes the subsystem to 2:30 pm, January 12, 2004:

```
]INITIALIZE RDF, BACKUPSYSTEM \CHI, TIMESTAMP 12JAN2004 14:30
Do you wish to proceed? [Y/N] Y
Please wait while RDF searches for the specified timestamp.
TMF shutdown at 12JAN2004 14:30 has been found. RDF will
start at RBA: 376275 MAT file: $AUDIT.ZTMFAT.AA000414
Do you still wish to start at this point? [Y/N] Y
```

The following **INITIALIZE RDF** command, issued on the primary system \LON after TMF was stopped, deleted, and reconfigured, initializes RDF at once, without prompting you to confirm your request:

```
]INITIALIZE RDF, BACKUPSYSTEM \CHI, SUFFIX 2 !
```

In the first example, the RDF control subvolume is implicitly named LON while in the second example it is explicitly named LON2.

OBEY

The **OBEY** command executes a series of commands entered in a command file.

```
OBEY [\system.] [$volume.] [subvolume.] file
```

system

identifies the system on which the command file is stored.

volume

identifies the disk volume on which the command file is stored.

subvolume

identifies the subvolume on which the command file is stored.

file

identifies the command file, which contains one or more valid **RDFCOM** commands.

Where Issued

Primary or backup system.

Security Restrictions

None; anyone can enter the **OBEY** command.

RDF State Requirement

You can enter the **OBEY** command at any time, whether or not RDF has been started.

Usage Guidelines

If you omit *system*, *volume*, or *subvolume*, RDFCOM uses the defaults in effect when RDFCOM was started.

A command file can contain other OBEY commands, nested up to four levels deep.

RDFCOM reads the commands in the command file until it reaches an EXIT command or the end of the file:

- If it encounters an EXIT command, RDFCOM closes the command file, terminates the RDFCOM session, and passes control back to the TACL command interpreter.
- If it encounters the end of the file, RDFCOM closes the command file and reads its next command from the file from which it read the OBEY command.

RDFCOM returns an error message if the command file cannot be opened or does not exist, or if any command within the command file is syntactically incorrect or otherwise in error. After this message appears, RDFCOM closes the command file and reads its next command from the file from which it read the OBEY command.

Example

The following OBEY command reads and processes RDFCOM commands from the command file named RDFCONX:

```
] OBEY RDFCONX
```

OPEN

The OPEN command identifies the RDF control subvolume to which subsequent RDFCOM commands in this session apply.

On the primary and backup systems, the RDF configuration and context files are stored in the RDF control subvolume on \$SYSTEM. On the backup system, the image trail files for each trail are stored in the RDF control subvolume on the associated image trail volume.

```
OPEN control-subvol  
control-subvol
```

is the name of the RDF control subvolume on both primary and backup systems.

The control subvolume name is comprised of the primary system name of the RDF configuration (without the backslash) plus the optional character suffix if you included one in the INITIALIZE RDF command.

Where Issued

Primary or backup system.

Security Restrictions

None; anyone can enter the OPEN command.

RDF State Requirement

Before you can enter the OPEN command, RDF must have been initialized.

Usage Guidelines

Issue an OPEN command to select the RDF control subvolume to which any subsequent RDFCOM commands (except another OPEN command) will apply.

Using the OPEN command is the same as specifying a control subvolume in the RDFCOM command that begins a session. For example, the following two command sequences both

accomplish the same thing—identifying DENVER3 as the RDF control subvolume and then obtaining current status information for that system:

- Sequence A:

```
>RDFCOM  
] OPEN DENVER3  
] STATUS RDF
```
- Sequence B:

```
>RDFCOM DENVER3  
] STATUS RDF
```

Remember that, when you enter the RDFCOM command without specifying a control subvolume, RDFCOM assumes that the control subvolume name is the same as that of the local system on which the RDFCOM is running (without the backslash and with no suffix character). Thus, the OPEN and STATUS commands shown in Sequence A and Sequence B will only work if a configuration file exists on the control subvolume DENVER3.

You must use the OPEN command if the system you are entering commands on services more than one RDF configuration, or is a backup system in your RDF configuration, and you did not specify a control subvolume in the RDFCOM command that started the present session.

Examples

The following command, issued from a common backup system for the primary systems \TORONTO and \DALLAS, identifies TORONTO as the RDF control subvolume for subsequent RDFCOM commands:

```
] OPEN TORONTO
```

Having issued the above command, the next command obtains RDF status information for \TORONTO:

```
] STATUS RDF
```

The following command identifies DALLAS as the RDF control subvolume:

```
] OPEN DALLAS
```

Having issued the above command, the next command requests RDF configuration information for \DALLAS:

```
] INFO *
```

In the two OPEN commands above, you do not include a backslash (\) because you are specifying the RDF control subvolume name (not a system name).

OUT

The OUT command redirects the output of the current RDFCOM session to the specified device or file.

```
OUT [\system.] [$volume.] [subvolume.] [file]
```

system

identifies the system on which the output file is stored.

volume

identifies the disk volume on which the output file is stored.

subvolume

identifies the subvolume on which the output file is stored.

file

specifies the name of the file or device to which RDFCOM is to direct subsequent output.

If you enter the OUT command but omit the file identifier altogether, RDFCOM directs the session output to the output file or device originally used for the current session.

Where Issued

Primary or backup system.

Security Restrictions

None; anyone can enter the OUT command.

RDF State Requirement

You can enter the OUT command at any time, whether or not RDF has been started.

Usage Guidelines

The OUT command specifies a file to which all subsequent output, other than prompts for entering RDFCOM commands, is to be written during this session. This file will receive listings produced by INFO, SHOW, and STATUS commands. The OUT command is often used to establish the destination command file for the OBEYFORM option of the INFO command.

If the specified output file does not exist, RDFCOM creates an EDIT (file code 101) file with the designated name and redirects session output to that file. If you specify a disk file that already exists, this must be an EDIT file; RDFCOM appends its output to that file.

RDFCOM continues to direct session output to the designated file or device until you issue another OUT command or until you terminate the session, whichever happens first.

If you do not specify an OUT command in your session, RDFCOM directs output to the current default output destination—usually the terminal from which you issued the RDFCOM command to start the session.

Examples

Suppose that RDFCOM output is currently directed to the terminal at which you are entering commands. To temporarily direct an RDF status display to a specific spooler location and then redirect all subsequent session output back to your terminal, enter the following commands:

```
] OUT $s.#1p
] STATUS RDF
] OUT
```

The next OUT command establishes the destination of the text produced by the OBEYFORM option in the subsequent INFO RDF command as a command file named CONFY. The second OUT command in this sequence redirects later output back to your terminal:

```
] OUT CONFY
] INFO RDF, OBEYFORM
] OUT
```

RESET

The RESET command resets all configuration parameters for the specified entity to their default values within the RDF configuration memory table. The parameters within the configuration file do not change, however, unless you issue a corresponding ADD command.

```
RESET {RDF
      {MONITOR
      {EXTRACTOR
      {RECEIVER
      {VOLUME
      {IMAGETRAIL
      {PURGER
      {RDFNET
      {NETWORK
      {TRIGGER
      }
```

RDF

resets the values for the RDF global options.

MONITOR

resets the values for the monitor process.

EXTRACTOR

resets the values for the extractor process (this includes resetting the ATINDEX value to 0).

RECEIVER

resets the values for the receiver process (this includes resetting the ATINDEX value to 0).

VOLUME

resets the values for the updater processes (this includes resetting the ATINDEX value to 0 and clearing all EXCLUDE and INCLUDE clauses).

IMAGETRAIL

resets the ATINDEX value for the image trail to 0.

PURGER

resets the values for the purger process.

RDFNET

resets the values for the RDFNET process.

NETWORK

resets the values for the network configuration record.

TRIGGER

resets the values for a TRIGGER record.

For all of the default parameter values for the RDF global options and the individual processes see the SET EXTRACTOR, SET IMAGETRAIL, SET MONITOR, SET PURGER, SET RDF, SET RDFNET, SET RDFNETWORK, SET RECEIVER, SET VOLUME, and SET TRIGGER command descriptions.

Where Issued

Primary system only.

Security Restrictions

You can issue the RESET command if you are a member of the super-user group.

RDF State Requirement

You can enter the RESET command at any time, whether or not RDF has been started. Certain constraints, however, apply to the subsequent ADD commands that apply the RESET values to the configuration file. For further information, see the ADD command description.

Usage Guidelines

The RESET command operates on the values in the configuration table in memory (which serves as a buffer), resetting those for the specified process to their default settings. These values do not affect RDF, however, until they are applied to the RDF configuration file with the ADD command.

If you use INCLUDE/EXCLUDE lists for selective replication and if the files differ from one volume to the next, then you should use the RESET VOLUME command after every ADD VOLUME command. See [Chapter 3](#) for further details.

Examples

To reset the extractor process parameters in the configuration memory table to their default values, enter:

```
] RESET EXTRACTOR
```

To reset the extractor process parameters in the configuration file to their default values so that these values now affect RDF, issue the following commands after RDF has been initialized:

```
] RESET EXTRACTOR
] SET EXTRACTOR PROCESS $EXT
] ADD EXTRACTOR
```

To reset the updater process parameters in the configuration memory table to their default values, enter:

```
] RESET VOLUME
```

To reset the trigger parameters in the configuration memory table to their default values, enter:

```
] RESET TRIGGER
```

SET EXTRACTOR

The SET EXTRACTOR command sets extractor process configuration parameters within the RDF configuration memory table. The supplied values are not applied to the RDF configuration file, however, until you issue an ADD EXTRACTOR command.

```
SET EXTRACTOR extractor-option
```

where *extractor-option* is:

```
{ CPUS primary-CPU : backup-CPU }
{ PRIORITY priority }
{ PROCESS process-name }
{ ATINDEX audittrail-index-number }
{ RTDWARNING rtd-time }
{ VOLUME volume-name }
```

CPUS *primary-CPU*:*backup-CPU*

identifies the CPUs in which the extractor process is to run as a process pair on the primary system; *primary-CPU* is the primary CPU; *backup-CPU* is the backup CPU. Values range from 0 through 15. The defaults are 0:1.

PRIORITY *priority*

identifies the execution priority for the extractor process; *priority* is the execution priority, from 10 through 199. The default priority is 165.

PROCESS *process-name*

identifies the process name for the extractor process; *process-name* is any unique, valid process name of up to six characters; the first character must be a dollar sign (\$). You cannot specify any of the reserved process names listed in the *Guardian Procedure Calls Reference Manual*.

This parameter is not optional. You must explicitly name the extractor process.

ATINDEX *audittrail-index-number*

is an integer value from 0 through 15 specifying the TMF audit trail on the primary system with which the extractor is associated. 0 specifies the MAT. 1 through 15 specify auxiliary audit trails AUX01 through AUX15. The default is 0. If you omit this parameter, RDFCOM assumes the extractor is associated with the MAT. For information about protecting auxiliary audit trails, see [Chapter 13 \(page 291\)](#).

RTDWARNING *rtd-time*

specifies the RTD warning threshold (in seconds, 0 or greater) for the extractor. This threshold is used by the STATUS RTDWARNING command to determine if the extractor is to be

included in its display. The display includes only those RDF processes (extractor or updaters) whose RTD exceeds the configured threshold. The default is 60 seconds.

VOLUME volume-name

specifies a valid volume name in the current TMF configuration on your primary system. When configuring RDF for ZLT, you must add the complete set of audit trail volumes to which protected data volumes are configured. You use a SET EXTRACTOR VOLUME statement for each individual volume. You do not need to specify whether the volume is an active volume, restore volume, or overflow volume; you merely specify the volume name. For information about the ZLT capability, see [Chapter 17 \(page 337\)](#).

Where Issued

Primary system only.

Security Restrictions

None.

RDF State Requirements

None.

Usage Guidelines

The SET EXTRACTOR command enters the parameter values specified for the extractor in this command into the RDF configuration table in memory. This table serves as an input buffer only, and so these values do not affect RDF until they are applied to the RDF configuration file with the ADD command.

For ATINDEX values greater than 0, the specified value must match the audit trail number of a configured auxiliary audit trail. If you specify SET EXTRACTOR ATINDEX 2, for example, there must be a configured auxiliary audit trail AUX02.

Furthermore, RDF objects with a particular ATINDEX value greater than 0 must together constitute a complete set:

- If there is an extractor with an ATINDEX value of 1, there must also be a receiver with an ATINDEX value of 1.
- If there is a receiver with an ATINDEX value of 1, there must also be a secondary image trail with an ATINDEX of 1.
- An updater with an ATINDEX value of 1 must be protecting a primary system data volume configured to auxiliary audit trail AUX01, and its secondary image trail must also have an ATINDEX value of 1.

Examples

To configure an extractor process named \$EXTR (associated with the MAT) to run in CPUs 3 and 4 at the default priority of 165 with an RTD warning threshold of 180 seconds, issue the following commands:

```
] SET EXTRACTOR PROCESS $EXTR
] SET EXTRACTOR CPUS 3:4
] SET EXTRACTOR RTDWARNING 180
] ADD EXTRACTOR
```

To configure an auxiliary extractor process named \$EXT1 (associated with auxiliary audit trail AUX01) to run in CPUs 5 and 6 at the default priority of 165 with an RTD warning threshold of 180 seconds, issue the following commands:

```
] SET EXTRACTOR ATINDEX 1
] SET EXTRACTOR PROCESS $EXT1
] SET EXTRACTOR CPUS 5:6
```

```
] SET EXTRACTOR RTDWARNING 180
] ADD EXTRACTOR
```

To configure a master extractor in an RDF/ZLT environment, where there are two active volumes (\$TMFMAT1 and \$TMFMAT2), and one overflow volume (\$MATOFLO), issue the following commands:

```
] SET EXTRACTOR PROCESS $EXTR
] SET EXTRACTOR CPUS 3:4
] SET EXTRACTOR RTDWARNING 165
] SET EXTRACTOR VOLUME $TMFMAT1
] SET EXTRACTOR VOLUME $TMFMAT2
] SET EXTRACTOR VOLUME $TMFOFLO
] ADD EXTRACTOR
```

SET IMAGETRAIL

The SET IMAGETRAIL command associates an image trail with a specific audit trail on the primary system. The supplied value is not applied to the RDF configuration file, however, until you issue an ADD IMAGETRAIL command.

```
SET IMAGETRAIL ATINDEX audittrail-index-number
ATINDEX audittrail-index-number
```

is an integer value identifying a configured TMF audit trail on the primary system. 0 specifies the MAT. 1 through 15 specify auxiliary audit trails AUX01 through AUX15.

If 0, the image trail specified in the subsequent ADD IMAGETRAIL command is managed by the master receiver; if 1 through 15, it is managed by the auxiliary receiver with that same ATINDEX value. The default value is 0.

For information about protecting auxiliary audit trails, see [Chapter 13 \(page 291\)](#).

Usage Guidelines

For ATINDEX values greater than 0, the specified value must match the audit trail number of a configured auxiliary audit trail. If you specify SET IMAGETRAIL ATINDEX 2, for example, there must be a configured auxiliary audit trail AUX02.

Furthermore, RDF objects with a particular ATINDEX value greater than 0 must together constitute a complete set:

- If there is an extractor with an ATINDEX value of 1, there must also be a receiver with an ATINDEX value of 1.
- If there is a receiver with an ATINDEX value of 1, there must also be a secondary image trail with an ATINDEX of 1.
- An updater with an ATINDEX value of 1 must be protecting a primary system data volume configured to auxiliary audit trail AUX01, and its secondary image trail must also have an ATINDEX value of 1.

SET MONITOR

The SET MONITOR command sets monitor process configuration parameters within the RDF configuration memory table. The supplied values are not applied to the RDF configuration file, however, until you issue an ADD MONITOR command.

```
SET MONITOR monitor-option
where monitor-option is:
    { CPUS primary-CPU : backup-CPU }
    { PRIORITY priority }
    { PROCESS process-name }
```

CPUS *primary-CPU: backup-CPU*

identifies the CPUs in which the monitor process is to run as a process pair on the primary system; *primary-CPU* is the primary CPU; *backup-CPU* is the backup CPU. Values range from 0 through 15. The defaults are 0:1.

PRIORITY *priority*

identifies the execution priority for the monitor process; *priority* is the execution priority, from 10 through 199. The default priority is 165.

PROCESS *process-name*

identifies the process name for the monitor process; *process-name* is any unique, valid process name of up to six characters; the first character must be a dollar sign (\$). You cannot specify any of the reserved process names listed in the *Guardian Procedure Calls Reference Manual*.

This parameter is not optional. You must explicitly name the monitor process.

Where Issued

Primary system only.

Security Restrictions

None.

RDF State Requirements

None.

Usage Guidelines

The SET MONITOR command enters the parameter values specified for the monitor in this command into the RDF configuration table in memory. This table serves as an input buffer only, and so these values do not affect the subsystem until they are applied to the RDF configuration file with the ADD command.

Example

To configure a monitor process named \$MON1 to run in CPUs 0 and 1 at a priority of 180, issue the following commands after RDF has been initialized:

```
]SET MONITOR PROCESS $MON1
]SET MONITOR CPUS 0:1
]SET MONITOR PRIORITY 180
]ADD MONITOR
```

SET NETWORK

The SET NETWORK command sets RDF network configuration parameters within the RDF configuration memory table. The supplied values are not applied to the RDF configuration file, however, until you issue an ADD NETWORK command.

SET NETWORK *network-option*

where *network-option* is:

```
{PRIMARYSYSTEM primary-system          }
{BACKUPSYSTEM backup-system              }
{REMOTECONTROLSUBVOLUME subvolume }
{PNETTXVOLUME $volume                  }
```

PRIMARYSYSTEM *primary-system*

For a network master, specifies the name of the primary system.

For a nonnetwork master, specifies the name of the network master's primary system.

BACKUPSYSTEM *backup-system*

For a network master, specifies the name of the associated backup system.

For a nonnetwork master, specifies the name of the network master's backup system.

REMOTECONTROLSUBVOLUME *subvolume*

For a network master, specifies the name of the primary system's remote control subvolume.

For a nonnetwork master, specifies the name of the network master's remote control subvolume.

PNETTXVOLUME *\$volume*

For a network master, specifies the name of the primary system volume on which the RDF subsystem stores an audited network synchronization file.

Where Issued

Primary system only.

Security Restrictions

None.

RDF State Requirements

None.

Usage Guidelines

The SET NETWORK command enters the RDF network parameter values specified in this command into the RDF configuration table in memory. This table serves as an input buffer only, and so these values do not affect the subsystem until they are applied to the RDF configuration file with the ADD command.

Example

To configure the primary system \RDF04 and backup system \RDF06, issue the following commands after RDF has been initialized:

```
SET NETWORK PRIMARYSYSTEM \RDF04
SET NETWORK BACKUPSYSTEM \RDF06
SET NETWORK REMOTECONTROLSUBVOLUME RDF04
SET NETWORK PNETTXVOLUME $DATA07
ADD NETWORK
```

SET PURGER

The SET PURGER command sets purger process configuration parameters within the RDF configuration memory table. The supplied values are not applied to the RDF configuration file, however, until you issue an ADD PURGER command.

SET PURGER *purger-option*

where *purger-option* is:

```
{CPUS primary-CPU : backup-CPU }
{PRIORITY priority }
{PROCESS process-name }
{PURGETIME mins }
{RETAINCOUNT num }
```

CPUS *primary-CPU*: *backup-CPU*

identifies the CPUs in which the purger process is to run as a process pair on the backup system; *primary-CPU* is the primary CPU; *backup-CPU* is the backup CPU. Values range from 0 through 15. The default is 0:1.

PRIORITY *priority*

identifies the execution priority for the purger process; *priority* is the execution priority, from 10 through 199. The default is 165.

PROCESS *process-name*

specifies the process name for the purger process; *process-name* is any unique, valid process name of up to six characters; the first character must be a dollar sign (\$). You cannot specify any of the reserved process names listed in the *Guardian Procedure Calls Reference Manual*.

This parameter is not optional. You must explicitly name the purger process.

PURGETIME *mins*

specifies the number of minutes the purger process waits between attempts to purge redundant image trail files. The default value is 60 minutes.

RETAINCOUNT *num*

specifies how many image trail files must be retained on disk for each image trail (including the image trail file currently in use). *num* must be within the range 2 to 5000. If you do not explicitly set this configuration parameter, the default value is 2. This configuration parameter is only relevant for the triple contingency feature; otherwise, this parameter should be left at its default value.

This parameter is important because if you lose the primary system, the triple contingency protocol will work only if all of the missing audit records at the backup system which is further behind in its RDF processing is still on disk on the other backup system.

For example, assume that you have lost the original primary system (\A), you have successfully completed a takeover on both backup systems (\B and \C), and the MAT positions displayed by the respective 735 messages are:

```
\B:    735  LAST MAT POSITION:  Sno 10,  RBA 100500000
```

```
\C:    735  LAST MAT POSITION:  Sno 10,  RBA 100000000
```

500 kilobytes of audit records is missing on \C.

Suppose that the image trail files are relatively small, such that the audit record at MAT 10, 100000010 was placed at the start of image trail file AA000025 on \B. If the purger on \B is allowed to purge AA000025 before the takeovers occur, the triple contingency protocol will fail because \C is missing some of the purged audit records (Sno 10, RBA 100000010 through Sno 10, RBA 100500000).

The RETAINCOUNT parameter is designed to prevent such a situation, although it is up to you to set this value correctly.

You must figure out how much time disparity to allow for in the event that one receiver falls behind the other. Such a disparity would occur, for example, if the communications lines between the primary system and one of the backup systems were to go down for some period of time. The RETAINCOUNT parameter must be such that no image trail files that might be needed for triple contingency are ever purged.

The best way to estimate the RETAINCOUNT value to specify is to pick an acceptable time differential such as 24 hours, 36 hours, or 48 hours; determine how many image trail rollovers typically occur within that amount of time; and then set the RETAINCOUNT parameter to that number of files.

For example, if you believe the two receiver processes will never be more than 36 hours apart in their RDF processing and your image trail file sizes are such that rollovers occur only once every 24 hours, then you would be safe specifying a RETAINCOUNT of three for both backup systems. In that situation, the purger process on both backup systems will always keep at least two image trail files on disk (the one the receiver is currently writing to and the previous two). On the backup system that is further ahead in its RDF processing, assume that files AA000010, AA000011, and AA000012 are on disk, the receiver rolls over to file AA000013, and all updaters have just begun reading file AA000013. Also assume that there are no long-running transactions that span

from file AA000010 to file AA000013. Files AA000010 through AA000012 might no longer be needed, but, because the RETAINCOUNT is set to three, the purger process can only purge AA000010 (it must keep AA000011 and AA000012 on disk). Thus, as long as the RTD times of the extractors on the two backup systems are less than 24 hours apart, the triple contingency protocol will work successfully.

Similarly, if you believe the two receiver processes will never be more than 36 hours apart in their RDF processing and your image trail file sizes are such that approximately 20 rollovers occur every 24 hours, then you should set the RETAINCOUNT to 31 on both backup systems.

Where Issued

Primary system only.

Security Restrictions

None.

RDF State Requirements

None.

Usage Guidelines

The SET PURGER command enters the parameter values specified for the purger in this command into the RDF configuration table in memory. This table serves as an input buffer only, and so these values do not affect the subsystem until they are applied to the RDF configuration file with the ADD command.

Example

To configure a purger process named \$PRG to run in CPUs 0 and 1 with a RETAINCOUNT of 8, issue these commands:

```
]SET PURGER PROCESS $PRG
]SET PURGER CPUS 0:1
]SET PURGER RETAINCOUNT 8
]ADD PURGER
```

By default, in this example the purger process will run at a priority of 165 and the purger purgetime is set to 60 minutes.

SET RDF

The SET RDF command sets RDF global configuration parameters within the RDF configuration memory table. The supplied values are not applied to the RDF configuration file, however, until you issue an ADD RDF command.

SET RDF *global-option*

where *global-option* is:

```
{LOGFILE $ems-collector-name      }
{UPDATERDELAY delay-time          }
{UPDATERTXTIME tx-time            }
{UPDATERRTDWARNING rtd-time       }
{UPDATEROPEN {PROTECTED | PROTECTED OPEN | SHARED} }
{SOFTWARELOC $volume.subvolume    }
{NETWORK {ON | OFF}               }
{NETWORKMASTER {ON | OFF}         }
{UPDATEREXCEPTION {ON | OFF}       }
{LOCKSTEPVOL $volume              }
{REPLICATEPURGE {ON | OFF}         }
{REMOTE MIRROR {ON | OFF}          }
{REMOTE STANDBY {node-name}        }
{OWNER {owner-id}                 }
```

LOGFILE *ems-collector-name*

specifies a device (EMS collector) that is to receive messages from RDF. The specified device must exist on both the primary and backup systems. The default is \$0.

The device on the primary system receives log messages from the extractor and monitor processes plus RDFCOM messages that are logged in message 835 and messages from RDFNET, if configured.

The device on the backup system receives log messages from the receiver, purger, and all updater processes (plus RDFCOM messages that are logged in message 835).

UPDATERDELAY *delay*

specifies how many seconds (from 1 to 10) the updater processes should delay upon reaching the logical EOF in the image trail before attempting a new read. The default is 10 seconds.

The default updater delay is the recommended value for virtually all users of RDF. Lowering it could adversely affect other updaters' performance.

You can alter the UPDATERDELAY value while updaters are running by using the ALTER RDF UPDATERDELAY command.

UPDATERTXTIME *tx-time*

specifies the maximum transaction duration (in seconds, from 10 to 300) for all updater processes. The default is 60 seconds.

RDF updaters operate in transaction mode. Updater transactions are essentially long-running transactions that pin audit trail files on the backup system and can affect the duration of backout operations if an updater transaction aborts for any reason.

The default value is recommended for RDF environments with heavy updater activity (aggregate updater throughput greater than 300 kb/second). Raising the *tx-time* in such environments could adversely affect TMF performance on the backup system.

In RDF environments with low to moderate updater activity and where no other transaction activity is occurring on the backup system, you could raise the *tx-time* without affecting TMF performance on the backup system.

UPDATERRTDWARNING *rtd-time*

specifies the RTD warning threshold (in seconds, 0 or greater) for all configured updaters. The default is 60 seconds.

This threshold is used by the STATUS RTDWARNING command to determine which updaters, if any, are to be included in its display. Besides the monitor process (and perhaps the extractor), the display includes only those updaters, if any, whose RTD exceeds the configured updater RTD warning threshold.

UPDATEROPEN *access-mode*

specifies the access mode (PROTECTED, PROTECTED OPEN, or SHARED) that updaters use when opening database files. The default is PROTECTED.

PROTECTED access is strongly recommended at all times, except when you specifically want to take online dumps or do reloads of the backup database with the updaters running. Before you start an online dump or a reload operation, you should alter the UPDATEROPEN mode from PROTECTED to SHARED. After the dump or reload has finished, you should change the UPDATEROPEN mode back to SHARED. See the discussion in Chapter 3 for the issues involved, including the meaning of PROTECTED OPEN.

To change the configured updater *access-mode*:

1. Issue a STOP UPDATE command.
2. Issue an ALTER RDF UPDATEROPEN command specifying the desired access mode.
3. Issue a START UPDATE command.

SOFTWARELOC *\$volume.subvolume*

specifies where the RDF software is installed. The default is \$SYSTEM.RDF.

NETWORK {ON | OFF}

specifies whether or not you are configuring an RDF network.

When set to OFF (the default value), RDF takeover operations execute and database consistency is not guaranteed for transactions spanning more than one RDF backup database.

When set to ON, the RDF subsystem guarantees database consistency across multiple RDF backup systems configured within an RDF network.

When set to ON, you must either have the NETWORKMASTER attribute for the same system also set to ON or have another system configured as the network master.

NETWORKMASTER {ON | OFF}

specifies whether the particular system is the master of the RDF network. Each RDF network has one, and only one, network master.

When set to OFF (the default value), the particular system is not the network master.

When set to ON, the particular system is the network master of the RDF network. When this attribute is set to ON, the NETWORK attribute must also be set to ON.

UPDATEREXCEPTION {ON | OFF}

specifies the manner in which exception files are used.

When set to ON (the default value), the updaters log an exception record for each and every audit record they must undo during a takeover.

When set to OFF, the updaters log exception records only for the first and last audit records that must be undone (the minimum logging necessary to support Triple Contingency operation).

LOCKSTEPVOL *\$volume*

specifies the primary system disk volume on which the RDF lockstep file (ZRDFLKSP.*control-subvolume*) is to be located. The specified volume must be configured to the Master Audit Trail (MAT), and either the entire volume or at least the lockstep file must be protected by the RDF subsystem. For information about the RDF lockstep capability, see [Chapter 15 \(page 309\)](#).

REPLICATEPURGE {ON | OFF}

specifies whether Enscribe purge operations on the primary system are to be replicated on the backup system.

When set to OFF (the default value), Enscribe purge operations are not replicated. You should use the default (OFF) for all RDF configurations (unless you have a specific need for replicating Enscribe purge operations).

If you configure the RDF subsystem to replicate network transactions, you should not replicate Enscribe purge operations because doing so might result in unexpected errors during the updater network undo processing.

When set to ON, Enscribe purge operations on the primary system are replicated on the backup system.

REMOTE MIRROR {ON | OFF}

specifies whether ZLT is enabled or disabled. The default is off. For information about the ZLT capability, see [Chapter 17 \(page 337\)](#).

REMOTE STANDBY {node-name}

specifies the system name of the ZLT standby system. node-name must be a valid name and must identify a system in your current Expand network. The default is the name of the backup system. For information about the ZLT capability, see [Chapter 17 \(page 337\)](#).

{OWNER {*owner-id*}

where *owner-id* is either *groupname,username* or *groupnumber,username*.

This parameter specifies the userid under which all RDF processes will always run. This global configuration parameter provides functionality whereby any super-user group userid can start and stop RDF.

Once the OWNER attribute is set, you must limit EXECUTE access to the RDFCOM object so that only those super group users authorized to manage RDF can run RDFCOM. Failure to do so is a serious security risk because, thereafter, all RDF objects run as the userid of the RDF OWNER.

To illustrate this functionality, imagine ten users are responsible for managing a particular RDF configuration and that SUPER.RDF is configured as the OWNER. Instead of providing all ten users access to the SUPER.RDF userid, each individual user can be assigned a separate super-user group userid. If one user is assigned SUPER.FIRST and another SUPER.SECOND, for example, they can both log on with their userid and be able to start or stop RDF. The RDF processes do not run under SUPER.FIRST or SUPER.SECOND, however, but under SUPER.RDF (the RDF OWNER assigned during configuration). The same principal applies to the other eight users.

By default, this attribute is not set, and therefore is not included in the INFO RDF output.

The userid associated with OWNER must be a valid Guardian userid and must identify an existing user account on the RDF primary and backup systems. The OWNER must also be a member of the super-user group, which is a requirement in RDF for stopping and starting RDF.

OWNER is an unalterable value. You need not change the value, unless you configured it incorrectly (in which case you must reinitialize RDF with the correct value).

If the OWNER parameter is omitted, only the userid that initializes RDF can start or stop RDF (as is true for all versions of RDF prior to 1.7).

Where Issued

Primary system only.

Security Restrictions

None.

RDF State Requirements

None.

Usage Guidelines

The SET RDF command enters the global parameter values specified in this command into the RDF configuration table in memory. This table serves as an input buffer only, and so these values do not affect the subsystem until they are applied to the RDF configuration file with the ADD command.

SET RDFNET

The SET RDFNET command sets RDFNET process configuration parameters within the RDF configuration memory table. The supplied values are not applied to the RDF configuration file, however, until you issue an ADD RDFNET command.

SET RDFNET *netsynch-option*

where *netsynch-option* is:

{CPUS *primary-CPU* : *backup-CPU* }

```

{PRIORITY priority
{PROCESS process-name
}
}

```

CPUS *primary-CPU: backup-CPU*

identifies the CPUs in which the RDFNET process is to run as a process pair on the primary system; *primary-CPU* is the primary CPU; *backup-CPU* is the backup CPU. Values range from 0 through 15. The defaults are 0:1.

PRIORITY *priority*

identifies the execution priority for the RDFNET process; *priority* is the execution priority, from 10 through 199. The default priority is 165.

PROCESS *process-name*

identifies the process name for the RDFNET process; *process-name* is any unique, valid process name of up to six characters; the first character must be a dollar sign (\$). You cannot specify any of the reserved process names listed in the *Guardian Procedure Calls Reference Manual*.

This parameter is not optional. You must explicitly name the RDFNET process.

Where Issued

Primary system only.

Security Restrictions

None.

RDF State Requirements

None.

Usage Guidelines

The SET RDFNET command enters the parameter values specified for the RDFNET process in this command into the RDF configuration table in memory. This table serves as an input buffer only, and so these values do not affect the subsystem until they are applied to the RDF configuration file with the ADD command.

Example

To configure a RDFNET process named \$MNET to run in CPUs 0 and 1 at a priority of 180, issue these commands after RDF has been initialized:

```

] SET RDFNET PROCESS $MNET
] SET RDFNET CPUS 0:1
] SET RDFNET PRIORITY 180
] ADD NETRDF

```

SET RECEIVER

The SET RECEIVER command sets receiver process configuration parameters within the RDF configuration memory table. The supplied values are not applied to the RDF configuration file, however, until you issue an ADD RECEIVER command.

SET RECEIVER *receiver-option*

where *receiver-option* is:

```

{ATINDEX audittrail-index-number
{CPUS primary-CPU : backup-CPU
{EXTENTS (primary-extent , secondary-extent)
{RDFVOLUME $volume
{PRIORITY priority
{PROCESS process-name
{FASTUPDATEMODE {ON | OFF}
}
}
}
}
}
}

```

ATINDEX *audittrail-index-number*

is an integer value identifying a configured TMF audit trail on the primary system. 0 specifies the MAT. 1 through 15 specify auxiliary audit trails AUX01 through AUX15. The default is 0. For each configured extractor, there must be a corresponding receiver with the same ATINDEX value.

For information about protecting auxiliary audit trails, see [Chapter 13 \(page 291\)](#).

CPUS *primary-CPU: backup-CPU*

identifies the CPUs in which the receiver process is to run as a process pair on the backup system; *primary-CPU* is the primary CPU; *backup-CPU* is the backup CPU. Values range from 0 through 15. The default is 0:1.

EXTENTS (*primary-extent* , *secondary-extent*)

specifies the extent sizes to be used for the RDF image files on the backup system; *primary-extent-size* is the primary extent size in pages; *secondary-extent-size* is the size of each secondary extent in pages. The default is 100,100. The limit is 65500, 65500. This parameter only has an effect when specified for the MAT receiver.

RDFVOLUME *\$volume*

specifies which disk volume on the backup system is to be used for the receiver's master image trail (the image trail to which the receiver writes all commit/abort records). The default is \$SYSTEM.

This attribute applies only to the master receiver (the receiver process configured with an ATINDEX value of 0). It is ignored for auxiliary receivers.

For best performance, do not use \$SYSTEM as the RDFVOLUME.

If the backup system will run with updating disabled, be sure to specify an RDFVOLUME disk that has an adequate amount of available space.

If the RDFVOLUME disk becomes filled, the receiver process will receive error 43 messages (Unable to obtain disk space for extent) from the file system until the situation is corrected.

PRIORITY *priority*

identifies the execution priority for the receiver process; *priority* is the execution priority, from 10 through 199. The default is 165.

PROCESS *process-name*

specifies the process name for the receiver process; *process-name* is any unique, valid process name of up to 5 characters; the first character must be a dollar sign (\$). You cannot specify any of the reserved process names listed in the *Guardian Procedure Calls Reference Manual*. Names longer than 5 characters, including the \$ sign, are invalid.

This parameter is not optional. You must explicitly name the receiver process.

FASTUPDATEMODE {ON | OFF}

FASTUPDATEMODE used to be known as SLOWMODE. During normal processing, the updaters' RTD values are typically 0 to 20 seconds behind the extractor's RTD value. This is expected and normal behavior, although if 20 it does not necessarily mean that the updaters are in fact running 20 seconds behind the extractor nor does it mean it will take 20 seconds for the updaters to catch up. The updaters cannot read past what the receiver deems safe, and that is determined by the frequency with which the receiver updates its context records. The receiver normally updates its context records every 5 to 15 seconds, and the updaters' RTD values reflect that interval.

Some customers prefer the updaters to have the lowest possible RTD value at all times. This can be accomplished by setting FASTUPDATEMODE ON.

With FASTUPDATEMODE ON, the receiver updates its context records after processing each extractor message buffer. This enables the updaters to read and apply image records much faster. It also, however, slows the extractor-to-receiver throughput rate. You should

only specify FASTUPDATESMODE ON if your throughput rate is typically low to moderate. In environments with high extractor-to-receiver throughput, specifying FASTUPDATESMODE ON will cause the extractor to fall behind TMF audit generation. See Chapter 3 “Installing and Configuring RDF” for a more complete discussion of this option, and note that for FASTUPDATESMODE to achieve what you want, you must also set the RDF UPDATERDELAY to 1 second.

The default is FASTUPDATESMODE OFF.

Where Issued

Primary system only.

Security Restrictions

None.

RDF State Requirements

None.

Usage Guidelines

The SET RECEIVER command enters the parameter values specified for the receiver in this command into the RDF configuration table in memory. This table serves as an input buffer only, and so these values do not affect the subsystem until they are applied to the RDF configuration file with the ADD command.

For ATINDEX values greater than 0, the specified value must match the audit trail number of a configured auxiliary audit trail. If you specify SET RECEIVER ATINDEX 2, for example, there must be a configured auxiliary audit trail AUX02.

Furthermore, RDF objects with a particular ATINDEX value greater than 0 must together constitute a complete set:

- If there is an extractor with an ATINDEX value of 1, there must also be a receiver with an ATINDEX value of 1.
- If there is a receiver with an ATINDEX value of 1, there must also be a secondary image trail with an ATINDEX of 1.
- An updater with an ATINDEX value of 1 must be protecting a primary system data volume configured to auxiliary audit trail AUX01, and its secondary image trail must also have an ATINDEX value of 1.

Examples

To configure a receiver process named \$RCV0 to run in CPUs 0 and 1, with the RDF master image files residing on the volume \$IMAGE and having primary and secondary extents of 1000 pages each, issue these commands:

```
]SET RECEIVER PROCESS $RCV0
]SET RECEIVER CPUS 0:1
]SET RECEIVER RDFVOLUME $IMAGE
]SET RECEIVER EXTENTS (1000,1000)
]ADD RECEIVER
```

By default, in this example the receiver process is associated with the MAT and will run at a priority of 165.

To configure an auxiliary receiver process named \$RCV1 associated with the auxiliary audit trail AUX01 to run in CPUs 2 and 3, issue these commands:

```
]SET RECEIVER PROCESS $RCV1
]SET RECEIVER ATINDEX 1
]SET RECEIVER CPUS 2:3
]ADD RECEIVER
```

By default, in this example the auxiliary receiver process will run at a priority of 165.

SET TRIGGER

The SET TRIGGER command sets trigger parameters within the RDF configuration memory table. The supplied values are not applied to the RDF configuration file, however, until you issue an ADD TRIGGER command. The trigger type (REVERSE or TAKEOVER) is specified in the ADD TRIGGER command.

SET TRIGGER trigger-option

where *trigger-option* is:

```
{PROGRAM  program-file           }
{INFILE   infile                 }
{OUTFILE  outfile                }
{CPUS     primary-CPU : alternate-CPU }
{PRIORITY priority              }
{WAIT | NOWAIT                  }
```

program-file

is the name of any Guardian object file. This object file is run once RDF has reached a particular state, either after a STOP RDF, REVERSE, or TAKEOVER operation. *program-file* must be a properly-formed Guardian disk file name. The file does not have to exist. This parameter is mandatory. Typically *program-file* is \$SYSTEM.SYSTEM.TACL if you want to run a TACL macro. Alternatively, *program-file* could be RDFCOM if no TACL macro is required.



CAUTION: When using RDFCOM as the TRIGGER process, the control subvolume for the reverse RDF environment must be empty before the STOP RDF, REVERSE is issued. If it is not empty, RDF will not be able to initialize, and the reverse environment cannot be started.

infile

is the name of an edit file that will be passed as the IN file to the trigger process when it is created. *infile* must be a properly-formed Guardian disk file name. The file does not have to exist. This parameter is mandatory.

outfile

is the name of a file or process that will be passed as the OUT file to the trigger process when it is created. *outfile* must be a properly-formed Guardian disk file or process name.

CPUS *primary-CPU: alternate-CPU*

are the numbers of the primary and alternate CPUs in which the trigger process is to run. The alternate CPU is used only if the primary CPU is unavailable when the trigger is started. Values range from 0 through 15. The defaults are 0:1.

priority

is the process priority of the trigger process. Priority must be an integer from 10 through 199. The default is 150.

WAIT

causes RDF to wait for the trigger process to terminate before shutting down. This is the default value.

NOWAIT

specifies that once the trigger process is launched, RDF can immediately proceed to shut down.

Where Issued

Only on the primary system; backup system when the primary is not available.

Security Restrictions

None.

RDF State Requirements

None.

Usage Guidelines

The SET TRIGGER command enters the trigger parameter values specified in this command into the RDF configuration table in memory. This table serves as an input buffer only, so these values do not affect the subsystem until they are applied to the RDF configuration file through the ADD command.

Example

In the following example, you are configuring an RDF environment to run from \Boston to \London. You start by initializing RDF to run from \Boston to \London.

```
] INITIALIZE RDF, BACKUPSYSTEM \LONDON !
```

Now assume that you have configured an extractor, receiver, purger, a set of updaters, and now you want to configure a Takeover trigger. For this trigger, you have a TACL script file \$SYSTEM.RDF.TKSCRIPT, and you want this script to be executed automatically by TACL after an RDF Takeover operation in CPU 3:4 with a priority of 160, and you want RDFCOM to shutdown immediately after firing off the trigger. To do the above, you issue the following commands:

```
] SET TRIGGER PROGRAM    $SYSTEM.SYSTEM.TACL
] SET TRIGGER INFILE     $SYSTEM.SYSTEM.TACL
] SET TRIGGER CPUS       3:4
] SET TRIGGER PRIORITY   160
] SET TRIGGER NOWAIT
] ADD TRIGGER TAKEOVER
```

The RDF configuration on \RIGHT is contained in the file \RIGHT.\$DATA01.RDFCONF.RIGHT (specified in the INFILE). That file includes these commands (the standard SET/ADD RDF, EXTRACTOR, RECEIVER, PURGER, IMAGETRAIL and VOLUME configuration commands are omitted):

```
INITIALIZE RDF, BACKUPSYSTEM \LEFT, INITTIME NOW !
START RDF
```

Initially, RDF runs from \LEFT to \RIGHT. To reverse replication, you enter this command on \LEFT:

```
STOP RDF, REVERSE
```

This causes RDF to drain the replication stream up to the current point in time, and then execute the reverse trigger on \RIGHT (in this case the reverse trigger is RDFCOM with the input file \$DATA01.RDFCONF.RIGHT). RDFCOM reads the input file, which causes a new RDF environment to be initialized and started from \RIGHT to \LEFT. Any messages from RDFCOM are reported to \$0.

After the RDFCOM process on \LEFT completes, the RDF environment from \LEFT to \RIGHT shuts down.

SET VOLUME

The SET VOLUME command sets updater process configuration parameters within the RDF configuration memory table. The supplied values are not applied to the RDF configuration file, however, until you issue an ADD VOLUME command.

```
SET VOLUME volume-option
```

where *volume-option* is:

```

{ATINDEX audittrail-index-number }
{CPUS primary-CPU : backup-CPU }
{PRIORITY priority }
{PROCESS process-name }
{IMAGEVOLUME $volume }
{UPDATEVOLUME $volume }
{INCLUDE subvol.file }
{EXCLUDE subvol.file }
{MAPFILE $vol.subvol.file }
{MAPLOG $vol.subvol.file }

```

ATINDEX *audittrail-index-number*

is an integer value from 0 through 15 specifying the audit trail on the primary system to which the data volume being protected is mapped. 0 specifies the MAT. 1 through 15 specifies auxiliary audit trails AUX01 through AUX15, respectively. The default is 0.

CPUS *primary-CPU*:*backup-CPU*

identifies the CPUs in which the updater process is to run as a process pair on the backup system; *primary-CPU* is the primary CPU; *backup-CPU* is the backup CPU. Values range from 0 through 15. The defaults are 0:1.

PRIORITY *priority*

identifies the execution priority for the updater process; *priority* is the execution priority, from 10 through 199. The default is 160.

PROCESS *process-name*

identifies the process name for the updater process; *process-name* is any unique, valid process name of up to six characters; the first character must be a dollar sign (\$). You cannot specify any of the reserved process names listed in the *Guardian Procedure Calls Reference Manual*.

This parameter is not optional. You must explicitly name the updater process.

IMAGEVOLUME *\$volume*

identifies a disk volume associated with a secondary image trail previously added to the RDF configuration (by way of an ADD IMAGETRAIL command), implicitly associating this updater process with that trail.

This parameter is required. There is no default. An updater must always be explicitly associated with a secondary image trail.

UPDATEVOLUME *\$volume*

specifies what volume on the backup system will receive database updates for the corresponding volume on the primary system. You specify the corresponding volume on the primary system in the ADD command that actually configures the updater process. The default is \$SYSTEM.

INCLUDE *subvol.file*

specifies what subvolume(s) and file(s) on the primary system data volume are to be replicated by the updater process on the backup system. *subvol* can have the wildcard character as a suffix (DB*, for example, specifying all subvolumes whose names begin with DB). Similarly, *file* can be an explicit filename, the wildcard character (specifying all files on the designated *subvol*), or have the wildcard character as a suffix (DATA*, for example, specifying all files on the designated *subvol* whose names begin with DATA).

EXCLUDE *subvol.file*

specifies what subvolume(s) and file(s) on the primary system data volume are **not** to be replicated on the backup system. As with the INCLUDE clause, *subvol* can have the wildcard character as a suffix, and *filename* can be an explicit filename, the wildcard character, or have the wildcard character as a suffix.

MAPFILE *\$vol.subvol.fname*

specifies the mapfile on the backup system that contains mapping strings that constitute the mapping rules. The updater will apply these rules to the audit records present in the image trail files. This parameter is optional.

MAPLOG *\$vol.subvol.fname*

specifies the log file on the backup system into which the updater should log the source and target filename pairs if a mapping rule is applied. This parameter is optional.

Where Issued

Primary system only.

Security Restrictions

None.

RDF State Requirements

None.

Usage Guidelines

The SET VOLUME command enters the parameter values specified for the updater in this command into the RDF configuration table in memory. This table serves as an input buffer only, and so these values do not affect the subsystem until they are applied to the RDF configuration file with the ADD command.

For ATINDEX values greater than 0, the specified value must match the audit trail number of a configured auxiliary audit trail. If you specify SET VOLUME ATINDEX 2, for example, there must be a configured auxiliary audit trail AUX02.

Furthermore, RDF objects with a particular ATINDEX value greater than 0 must together constitute a complete set:

- If there is an extractor with an ATINDEX value of 1, there must also be a receiver with an ATINDEX value of 1.
- If there is a receiver with an ATINDEX value of 1, there must also be a secondary image trail with an ATINDEX of 1.
- An updater with an ATINDEX value of 1 must be protecting a primary system data volume configured to auxiliary audit trail AUX01, and its secondary image trail must also have an ATINDEX value of 1.

For a discussion on the use of INCLUDE and EXCLUDE lists, see [Chapter 11 \(page 279\)](#).

Once an updater process has been added to the RDF configuration, you cannot alter its INCLUDE or EXCLUDE parameters. If you must do so, it is recommended that you STOP RDF, reinitialize RDF (with the INITTIME option), and reconfigure it with correct INCLUDE and EXCLUDE lists. See [Chapter 3 \(page 69\)](#) for a discussion of how to reinitialize RDF with the INITTIME option.

You can specify a maximum of 100 INCLUDE and EXCLUDE parameters for each volume, in any combination.

Unlike the behavior of other SET parameters, successive INCLUDE or EXCLUDE parameters do not supersede preceding ones in the RDF configuration memory table (they merely extend the include and exclude lists for the particular data volume).

If you want to use the same INCLUDE/EXCLUDE lists for each volume, you only have to use the SET commands when configuring the first updater. After you ADD that updater, the same INCLUDE/EXCLUDE lists are retained in memory, and you only need to configure the other updater attributes. When you ADD the next updater, it inherits the same INCLUDE/EXCLUDE lists.

If you want to specify different INCLUDE/EXCLUDE lists for each volume, then you should use the RESET VOLUME command after you ADD each updater. The RESET VOLUME command clears out any INCLUDE/EXCLUDE lists you SET for the previous updater.

To view the current INCLUDE and EXCLUDE parameters in the RDF configuration memory table, issue a SHOW VOLUME command.

To view the INCLUDE and EXCLUDE parameters for an updater that has already been added, issue an INFO VOLUME or INFO *\$volume* command.

Examples

Suppose that one of the volumes containing audited files on the primary system is named \$DATA01 and you want to create an updater process named \$U01 to maintain a copy of that volume, named \$DATA1, on the backup system.

To configure the updater process to run in CPUs 3 and 4 at the default priority of 160 using the secondary image trail volume \$SECIT1, issue these commands:

```
]SET VOLUME PROCESS $U01
]SET VOLUME CPUS 3:4
]SET VOLUME IMAGEVOLUME $SECIT1
]SET VOLUME UPDATEVOLUME $DATA1
]ADD VOLUME $DATA01
```

Suppose that another volume on the primary system is named \$DATA02 and you want to create an updater process named \$U02 to replicate changes to only those tables and files on \$DATA02 whose subvolume name begins with OEM2 or OEM5.

To configure the updater process to run in CPUs 5 and 6 at the default priority of 160 using secondary image trail volume \$SECIT2 and data volume \$DATA2 on the backup system, issue these commands:

```
]SET VOLUME PROCESS $U02
]SET VOLUME CPUS 5:6
]SET VOLUME IMAGEVOLUME $SECIT2
]SET VOLUME UPDATEVOLUME $DATA2
]SET VOLUME INCLUDE OEM2*.*
]SET VOLUME INCLUDE OEM5*.*
]ADD VOLUME $DATA02
```

SHOW

The SHOW command displays the current parameter values contained in the RDF configuration memory table for the specified process. With this command, you can confirm the parameter values before issuing the ADD command that actually applies them to the configuration file.

```
SHOW {RDF          }
      {MONITOR     }
      {EXTRACTOR   }
      {RECEIVER    }
      {IMAGETRAIL  }
      {TRIGGER     }
      {VOLUME      }
      {PURGER      }
      {RDFNET      }
      {NETWORK     }
```

RDF

displays the current configuration parameter values for the RDF global options.

MONITOR

displays the current configuration parameter values for the monitor process.

EXTRACTOR

displays the current configuration parameter values for the extractor process.

RECEIVER

displays the current configuration parameter values for the receiver process.

IMAGETRAIL

displays the current configuration parameter values for the image trail.

PURGER

displays the current configuration parameter values for the purger process.

RDFNET

displays the current configuration parameter values for the RDFNET process.

NETWORK

displays the current configuration parameter values for an RDF network.

TRIGGER

displays the values of the TRIGGER attributes as they are currently set in memory.

VOLUME

displays the current configuration parameter values for an updater process.

Where Issued

Primary system.

Security Restrictions

None; anyone can issue the SHOW command.

RDF State Requirements

You can enter the SHOW command at any time.

Usage Guidelines

This command retrieves information from the RDF configuration memory table, which serves as an input buffer for a subsequent ADD command.

If you have not yet issued any SET commands for the specified object, or have issued a RESET command for it, the SHOW command displays the default option values for the object.

If you want to see what parameter values are already set in the configuration file, use the INFO command.

Output Displayed

The parameters displayed for the RDF global options and the individual processes are explained under the SET EXTRACTOR, SET IMAGETRAIL, SET MONITOR, SET NETWORK, SET PURGER, SET RDF, SET RDFNET, SET RECEIVER, SET TRIGGER, and SET VOLUME command descriptions.

Examples

Examples of several SHOW commands follow:

SHOW RDF Command

To display the global configuration parameter values specified by a series of SET RDF commands, enter:

```
] SHOW RDF
```

In response, RDFCOM displays something like this:

```
RDF SOFTWARELOC $SYSTEM.RDF
RDF LOGFILE $0
RDF PRIMARYSYSTEM \RDF06
```

```
RDF UPDATERDELAY 10
RDF UPDATERTEXTIME 60
RDF UPDATERRTDWARNING 60
RDF UPDATEROPEN PROTECTED
RDF NETWORK OFF
RDF NETWORKMASTER OFF
RDF UPDATEREXCEPTION ON
RDF REPLICATEPURGE OFF
RDF OWNER SUPER.RDF
```

The primary system name is set implicitly and the backup system name is set in the INITIALIZE RDF command.

SHOW RECEIVER Command

Suppose that a series of SET RECEIVER commands specifies these configuration parameter values:

- The receiver process named \$REC, which is associated with a configured master extractor on the primary system, is to run in CPUs 3 and 4 at priority 165.
- The volume \$IMAGE, with 1000-page primary and secondary extents, is to be used for the master image trail files.

To display the values specified by those SET RECEIVER commands, enter:

```
] SHOW RECEIVER
```

In response, RDFCOM displays:

```
RECEIVER ATINDEX 0
RECEIVER CPUS 3:4
RECEIVER EXTENTS (1000,1000)
RECEIVER PRIORITY 165
RECEIVER RDFVOLUME $IMAGE
RECEIVER FASTUPDATEMODE OFF
RECEIVER PROCESS $REC
```

RDFCOM includes the line containing PROCESS *process-name* in the display only if the process name was specified in a SET command.

SHOW PURGER Command

Suppose that a series of SET PURGER commands specifies that a purger process named \$PURG is to run in CPUs 3 and 2 at priority 165 with a RETAINCOUNT of 50.

To display the values specified by those SET PURGER commands, enter:

```
] SHOW PURGER
```

In response, RDFCOM displays:

```
PURGER CPUS 3:2
PURGER PRIORITY 165
PURGER PROCESS $PURG
PURGER RETAINCOUNT 50
PURGER PURGETIME 60
```

RDFCOM includes the line containing PROCESS *process-name* in the display only if the process name was specified in a SET command.

SHOW VOLUME Command

Suppose that a series of SET VOLUME commands specified these configuration parameter values:

- The updater process named \$UP07 is to run in CPUs 2 and 1 of the backup system at a priority of 160.
- The volume \$DATA7 on the backup system is to be used for receiving database updates to the volume \$DATA07 on the primary system (which is configured to the auxiliary audit trail \$AUX01).

- The updater is to use the secondary image trail \$SECIT1 (which was previously added to the RDF configuration by way of an ADD IMAGETRAIL command).
- You have configured this updater only to replicate file in the subvolume MYFILESET.*, but you do not want to replicate MYFILESET.LOG.

To display the values specified by those SET VOLUME commands, enter:

```
] SHOW VOLUME
```

This output results:

```
VOLUME ATINDEX 1
VOLUME CPUS 2:1
VOLUME PRIORITY 160
VOLUME UPDATEVOLUME $DATA7
VOLUME IMAGEVOLUME $SECIT1
VOLUME PROCESS $UP07
VOLUME INCLUDE MYFILESET.*
VOLUME EXCLUDE MYFILESET.LOG
```

SHOW RDFNET Command

Suppose that a series of SET RDFNET commands specifies the RDFNET process named \$MNET is to run in CPUs 0 and 1 at priority 180.

To display the values specified by those SET RDFNET commands, enter:

```
] INFO RDFNET
```

RDF displays:

```
RDFNET PROCESS $MNET
RDFNET CPUS 0:1
RDFNET PRIORITY 180
```

SHOW NETWORK Command

Suppose that a series of SET NETWORK commands specifies \RDF04 as the network master's primary system, \RDF06 as the network master's backup system, RDF04 as the network master's remote control subvolume, and \$DATA07 as the network master's PNETTXVOLUME volume.

To display the values specified by those SET NETWORK commands, enter:

```
] SHOW NETWORK
```

RDF displays:

```
NETWORK PRIMARYSYSTEM \RDF04
NETWORK BACKUPSYSTEM \RDF06
NETWORK RCSV RDF04
NETWORK PNETTXVOLUME $DATA07
```

SHOW TRIGGER Command

If you have entered a series of SET TRIGGER commands and you want to review them before issuing the ADD TRIGGER command, type:

```
] SHOW TRIGGER
```

RDF displays a list like this:

```
TRIGGER PROGRAM $SYSTEM.RDF.RDFCOM
TRIGGER INFILE $DATA01.RDF.RDFCONF
TRIGGER OUTFILE $DATA01.RDF.OUTFILE
TRIGGER CPUS 0:1
TRIGGER PRIORITY 150
TRIGGER NOWAIT
```

START RDF

The START RDF command starts RDF.

START RDF [, UPDATE {ON | OFF}]

UPDATE ON

Enables update processing on the backup system; this is the default value.

UPDATE OFF

Disables update processing on the backup system.

RDF image files are not purged from the backup system.

Where Issued

Primary system only.

Security Restrictions

You can issue the START RDF command if you are the member of the super-user group that initialized RDF and have a remote password from the RDF primary system to the backup.

RDF State Requirement

You can issue the START RDF command only after TMF has been started and RDF has been previously initialized.

Usage Guidelines

The decision to start RDF is a management decision that should be carefully planned and performed. Operators should never issue this command strictly on their own initiative.

For information about when to use the START RDF command and how it affects the primary and backup databases, see “Restarting RDF” (page 136).

If you have initialized the TMF and RDF subsystems before issuing the START RDF command, RDF automatically begins transmitting audit data from the beginning of the first audit-trail file.



CAUTION: If you initialize RDF after a STOP RDF command is issued at the primary system, you might need to resynchronize the databases before restarting RDF.

TMF must be started and transactions enabled on both primary and backup systems before you issue the START RDF command.

When RDF starts, it automatically executes an implicit VALIDATE CONFIGURATION command with these results:

- If any parameter value in the RDF configuration file is invalid, RDFCOM displays an error message, and the START RDF operation fails.
- If all of the parameters in the RDF configuration file are valid, RDF copies the configuration file from the primary system to the backup system, displays any warning messages, and starts the RDF processes.

After all RDF processes start, RDFCOM prompts you for your next command.



NOTE: RDF always starts with updating enabled unless you explicitly specify UPDATE OFF. This scenario is true even if updating was disabled when RDF was last stopped.

The extractor, receiver, purger, RDFNET, and updater processes are restartable. That is, none of these processes rely on checkpointed information. If the primary process fail, the backup reads its context from disk and resumes operations. If a process pair should fail completely (for example, a double CPU failure), then the RDF monitor aborts all other processes. When you restart RDF, all processes obtain their starting information from context on disk, and this ensures an accurate restart and eliminates the possibility of data corruption in the backup database. For more information about how these processes support restartability, see “Processor Failures” (page 127).

Examples

To start RDF with updating enabled, enter:

```
] START RDF
```

To start RDF with updating disabled, enter:

```
] START RDF, UPDATE OFF
```

START UPDATE

The START UPDATE command starts all updater processes on the backup system.

```
START UPDATE
```

Where Issued

Primary system only.

Security Restrictions

You can issue the START UPDATE command if you are a member of the super-user group and have a remote password from the RDF primary system to the backup.

RDF State Requirement

Before you can issue this command, RDF must be running.

Usage Guidelines

After the updater processes start, they examine the audit data in the RDF image files and apply any changes to the backup database.

Example

To initiate updating on the backup system of all volumes protected by RDF, enter:

```
] START UPDATE
```

STATUS

The STATUS command displays current configuration information and operational statistics for the RDF environment, or specified portions thereof. All forms of the STATUS command, except STATUS RTDWARNING, automatically include information and statistics for the monitor process.

```
STATUS {MONITOR           } [, PERIOD seconds [, COUNT repeat]]
      {RDF                 }
      {EXTRACTOR           }
      {RECEIVER            }
      {PURGER              }
      {PROCESS procname }
      {VOLUME              }
      {RTDWARNING          }
      {RDFNET              }
```

MONITOR

requests information and statistics for the monitor process. All STATUS commands display details for the RDF monitor process except the STATUS RTDWARNING command.

RDF

requests information and statistics for the entire RDF environment.

EXTRACTOR

requests information and statistics for the extractor process.

RECEIVER

requests information and statistics for the receiver process.

PURGER

requests information and statistics for the purger process.

PROCESS procname

requests information and statistics for the specified process.

VOLUME

requests information and statistics for all configured updater processes.

RTDWARNING

requests information and statistics for only those processes (the extractor or any updater) that have fallen behind the configured RTD threshold (*rtd-time*). For information about setting that threshold, see the SET RDF command. Each time this command is issued and a process is displayed because it has fallen behind the RTD warning threshold, an EMS event is generated for that process.

RDFNET

requests information and statistics for the RDFNET process.

PERIOD *seconds*

specifies the interval in seconds between successive executions of the command.

COUNT *repeat*

specifies how many times to execute the particular STATUS command. If you omit the COUNT *repeat* option but include the PERIOD *seconds* option, the command is executed repeatedly at the specified time intervals until you press the BREAK key.

Where Issued

Primary or backup system.

Security Restrictions

None; anyone can enter a STATUS command.

RDF State Requirement

You can enter a STATUS command at any time after RDF has been initialized.

Usage Guidelines

The STATUS command provides you with the most current information about RDF and its operational status, presenting data for the specified RDF processes.

STATUS RDF Command Output Display

The output of the STATUS RDF command shows all critical information about each configured RDF entity. Here are two examples:

```
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```

```
Status of \RDF04 -> \RDF05 RDF 2008/08/11 05:26:49.082
Control Subvol: $SYSTEM.RDF04
Current State : Normal
```

RDF Process	Name	RTD Time	Pri	Volume	Seqnce	Rel	Byte	Addr	Cpus	Err
Monitor	\$RMON		185	\$AUDMAT	56				1: 2	
Extractor (0)	\$REXT0	0:00	185	\$AUDMAT	56		928000		1: 2	
Extractor (1)	\$REXT1	0:00	185	\$AUDAUX	4		10435580		1: 2	
Receiver (0)	\$RRCV0	0:00	185	\$MIT	12				1: 2	
Receiver (1)	\$RRCV1	0:00	185						1: 2	
Imagetrail (0)				\$IMAGE0	22					

```

Imagetrail (1)                                $IMAGEA      3
Purger          $RPRG                          185                1: 2
$DATA06 -> $DATA06 $RUPD1      0:06 185 $IMAGE0      22                9568 1: 2
$DATA07 -> $DATA07 $RUPD2      0:00 185 $IMAGEA      3                811008 2: 3
$DATA08 -> $DATA08 $RUPD3      0:06 185 $IMAGEA      3                811568 3: 0

```

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Status of \RDF04 -> \RDF05 RDF 2008/08/11 05:26:49.082

Control Subvol: \$SYSTEM.RDF04

Current State : * TAKEOVER in progress *

RDF Process	Name	RTD	Time	Pri	Volume	Seqnce	Rel	Byte	Addr	Cpus	Err
Monitor	\$Z345	.....	...							2: 3	
Receiver (0)	\$RRCV0	.....	185	\$MIT	12					1: 2	
Receiver (1)	\$RRCV1	.....	185							1: 2	
Imagetrail (0)					\$IMAGE0	22					
Imagetrail (1)					\$IMAGEA	3					
Purger	\$RPRG		185							1: 2	
\$DATA06 -> \$DATA06 \$RUPD1		.....	185	\$IMAGE0	20			9568		1: 2	net
\$DATA07 -> \$DATA07 \$RUPD2		.....	185	\$IMAGEA	3			811008		2: 3	undo
\$DATA08 -> \$DATA08 \$RUPD3		.....	185	\$IMAGEA	3			811568		3: 0	undo

In each of these examples, the first line shows the RDF banner that includes the Product Version Number and the date of its release (T0346A08 - 11AUG08). The second line contains the standard Hewlett-Packard banner. The status information about the specific RDF subsystem begins on the third line, where the names of the primary (\RDF04) and backup (\RDF05) systems are given, followed by the timestamp when this instance of the STATUS RDF command was issued.

The control subvolume is listed next line, and the following line lists the current state of the RDF subsystem. In the first example, the state is NORMAL (RDF running with Update On), and the second example the state indicates that an RDF takeover operation has begun. The following list represents all possible RDF states. For a discussion of each of these states, see “[Displaying Current Operating Statistics and Configuration Information](#)” (page 112) in Chapter 4.

- Normal
- Normal - Update Stopped
- Start Update Pending
- Stop Update Pending
- Stop Update, Timestamp Pending
- * STOP RDF In Progress *
- * TMF STOP In Progress *
- * TAKEOVER In Progress *
- WRONG PROGRAM VERSION
- NSA Stop Update Pending
- Update NSA Stopped
- *Monitor Unavailable*

The rest of the display provides current information about each RDF process configured.

For extractors, receivers, and image trails, the configured ATINDEX value is displayed in parentheses following the object name. In the above example, the extractor \$REXT0 and receiver \$RRCV0 are associated with the MAT, while the extractor \$REXT1 and receiver \$RRCV1 are associated with auxiliary audit trail AUX01.

Because of insufficient space, however, ATINDEX values could not be displayed explicitly for updaters. To determine the ATINDEX value of a particular updater, see the ATINDEX value of the associated secondary image trail.

In the first example above, an RDF network master's running environment on the primary system is depicted with a monitor process, a master extractor (\$REXT0) associated with the MAT, a second extractor (\$REXT1) associated with the AUX01 audit trail, and the special RDFNET process. On the backup system the other set of RDF processes is depicted: the master receiver

(\$RRCV0) associated with the MAT and writing to the Master Image Trail (\$MIT) and a Secondary Image Trail (\$IMAGE0), a second receiver (\$RRCV1) associated with AUX01 and writing to a Secondary Image Trail (\$IMAGEA1), updater \$RUPD1 associated with the MAT reading \$IMAGE0 and applying updates to \$DATA006, updater \$RUPD2 associated with the AUX01 reading \$IMAGEA1 and applying updates to \$DATA007, and updater \$RUPD3 associated with the AUX01 reading \$IMAGEA1 and applying updates to \$DATA08.

The second example above shows the same configuration, but this time in the midst of an RDF takeover operation.

In both examples, different state information is displayed for each entity under the different column headings.

RDF Process

The first column of the display identifies the type of process. Notice that each updater process is identified by the names of both the primary volume the updater process is protecting and the corresponding volume on the backup system. In this example, each volume being updated on the backup system has the same name as the corresponding volume on the primary system (for example, updates to the volume \$DATA007 on the primary system are duplicated by the updater process \$RUPD2 to the volume \$DATA007 on the backup system).

Name

The second column specifies the name of each process. Because the secondary image trails \$IMAGE0 and \$IMAGEA1 are not processes, they do not have process names or RTD times. In the second example above, observe that the monitor no longer has the configured process name. The reason for this is that the monitor started on the backup system for a takeover operation is started with a Guardian-generated name.

RTD Time

The third column (labeled RTD Time) specifies the current relative time delay (RTD) value for the extractor process, receiver process, and all updater processes. These values can help you determine how far behind the application program each process is running. Please note that an RTD time is not a precise indication of how far an RDF process is behind. An RTD time is only relative and is an approximation. The more accurate RTD time is that of the extractor. An updater's RTD is even more relative because it may show 20 seconds one instance and then show 0 seconds in the next instance. The reason for this is that the updater applies audit through an exceptionally efficient low-level interface direct to the disk process and it can take only a fraction of 1 second to apply what was generated on the primary system in 20 seconds.

On the primary system, TMF attaches a timestamp to every commit and abort status record generated for the application program. The extractor process, in turn, attaches the most recent TMF commit/abort timestamp to all data modification image records.

The RTD value for the master extractor is the difference between the "last modified time" of the latest file in the TMF Master Audit Trail (MAT) and the timestamp of the last commit or abort record seen by this extractor. For an extractor associated with an aux trail, its RTD value is the difference between the "last modified time" of the latest file in the specific audit trail and the general time when the last audit record processed by this extractor was added to this audit trail.

As each receiver processes image records, it stores them in image trail buffers and writes those buffers to disk as the need arises. The receiver's RTD only has value on a receiver restart condition (for example, primary CPU failure), where the receiver process has had to go to disk to get its context and then begin operations anew, just as if it were just started by RDFCOM. The RTD reflects only how long it takes to complete its restart, and in this sense a receiver's RTD has no consequence because the extractor's RTD is of critical importance. In the takeover situation reflected in the second example, the RTD is replaced by dots to indicate there is no RTD.

The RTD value reported for each updater process is the difference between the “last modified time” of that updater's audit trail on the primary system and the timestamp added to the image record by the extractor before sending it to the receiver. As is the case with the receiver during an RDF takeover operation, the RTD is replaced by dots to indicate there is no RTD.

On a finely tuned RDF backup node, the RTD for an updater can regularly lag 1 to 15 seconds behind TMF processing. However, this 15-second delay does not mean that 15 seconds are needed to catch up; that operation might take only a few seconds.

If RDFCOM cannot connect to a particular process, RDFCOM displays dots (...) in the RTD Time, Sequence, and Rel Byte No fields, and an appropriate file-system error number in the Error field.

Pri

The fourth column specifies the priority at which each process is running. In the RDF takeover situation, the priority of the monitor is not reported.

Volume and Seqnce

The fifth and sixth columns together specify a file associated with each process:

- The monitor entry reflects the name of the latest MAT file to which TMF is writing (\$AUDMAT.ZTMFAT.AA000056 in this example).
- Each extractor entry reflects the name of the TMF audit trail file from which it is reading (\$AUDMAT.ZTMFAT.AA000056 for the master extractor and \$AUDAUX1.ZTMFAT.BB000004 for the auxiliary extractor in this example).
- The receiver entries reflect the names of the current image trail files to which each receiver is writing (\$RRCV0 write control records to \$MIT and image records for updater \$RUPD1 to \$IMAGE0; \$RRCV1 writes image records for updaters \$RUPD2 and \$RUPD3 to \$IMAGEA1 in this example).
- The image trail entries reflect the names of the secondary image trail files to which each receiver is writing (\$RRCV0 writes image records for updater \$RUPD1 to \$IMAGE0; \$RRCV1 writes image records for updaters \$RUPD2 and \$RUPD3 to \$IMAGEA1 in this example).
- Each updater entry reflects the name of the secondary image file from which it is reading (\$DATA03.RDF04.AA000020 for \$RU01, \$DATA04.RDF04.AA000003 for \$RU02, and \$DATA05.RDF04.AA000003 for \$RU03 in this example).

If RDFCOM cannot connect to a particular process, RDFCOM displays dots (...) in the RTD Time, Sequence, and Rel Byte No fields, and an appropriate file-system error number in the Error field. In the case of an RDF takeover operation, however, nothing is displayed for the Monitor's sequence and relative byte number because those values have no relevance.

Rel Byte Addr

The column designated "Rel Byte Addr" indicates the relative byte address where the process in question is positioned. For the extractor and updaters, it indicates where in the file that the process is reading. For the receiver it represents where in the file that the last write operation completed.

If RDFCOM cannot connect to a particular process, RDFCOM displays dots (...) in the RTD Time, Sequence, and Rel Byte No fields, and an appropriate file-system error number in the Error field.

During non-takeover processing, you can observe the relative byte numbers increasing, and as the processes finishes with a given file, you can see that the sequence number of the file increases and that the relative byte number drops as the process starts reading at the beginning of that next file. During a takeover or a stop-update-to-time operation when an updater has begun its undo pass, however, you can observe that the relative byte numbers decrease. Further, when an updater has finished with its current file, you can observe that the sequence number decreases as the updater switches to the next file in reverse sequence and that the relative byte number starts at the end of this next file and decreases as the updater reads backwards through the file.

Cpus

The eighth column specifies the CPUs in which each process pair is running.

Error

The final column is used for several purposes. For all RDF processes it is usually blank, which indicates the process is running normally and without any error condition. The following displays can also be reported.

The specific process has encountered a serious error. You should examine the event log to see what happened. If the error condition is cleared, for example, an updater reporting a file system error 122, then the asterisks are cleared. If the error condition is not corrected, the asterisks continue to appear until the situation is corrected. If an updater encounters an unexpected error 1, 10, 11, 71, or some other condition, this could indicate that your backup database is no longer in synchronization with the primary system's database. If you stop RDF and then restart it, any asterisks previously reported are cleared until a process encounters a new unexpected error condition.

sync

During an online database synchronization operation, an updater reports "sync" in this column until it has caught up and has gone past the point when the STOP SYNCH command was issued.

undo

During a takeover or stop-update-to-time operation, after the update has finished its forward moving redo pass, it reports "undo" when it performs its reverse moving undo pass in order to back out any updates for transactions that need to be undone. In a takeover operation for an RDF network, "undo" indicates the first undo pass when local transactions are undone because their outcomes are unknown.

net

During an RDF network takeover operation, there are three possible undo phases: local undo (marked "undo" as stated above), file-undo (not marked because this highly rare and typically only lasts a few seconds), and network undo. The latter is reflected as "net", and this undo pass backs out transactions for which RDF has a commit record in this system, but a commit is missing on another backup system in the RDF takeover. See ["Network Transactions"](#) (page 295) for the details of an RDF network takeover operation.

For more information on critical errors, you can scan the EMS collectors on the primary and backup systems:

- The EMS collector on the primary system contains log messages for the extractor and monitor processes.
- The EMS collector on the backup system contains log messages for the receiver, purger, and all updater processes.

Special Messages

If you issue the STATUS RDF command while an RDF TAKEOVER operation is in progress, RDF displays the current state as "TAKEOVER IN PROGRESS", as seen in the second example above.

If you issue the STATUS RDF command after an RDF TAKEOVER operation has completed, RDFCOM displays this message instead of the usual status display:

```
STATUS RDF (\RDF04 -> \RDF06) is NOT running
An RDF TAKEOVER has completed
Safe MAT position is SNO 1, RBA 87876660
MAT position for File Recovery: SNO 1, RBA 87876740
```

Examples

To display current RDF configuration information and operational statistics once, enter this command:

```
] STATUS RDF
```

To display that information 10 times, once every minute, enter:

```
] STATUS RDF, PERIOD 60, COUNT 10
```

To display current information and statistics for all configured extractor processes once, enter this command:

```
] STATUS EXTRACTOR
```

To display current information and statistics for only those processes (the extractors or any updater) that have fallen behind the configured RTD threshold (*rtd-time*), enter this command:

```
] STATUS RTDWARNING
```

STOP RDF

The STOP RDF command shuts down RDF.

```
STOP RDF { [, DRAIN ] }  
          { [, REVERSE ] }
```

DRAIN

causes the following actions:

- All TMF audit records up to the time the command is entered are stored in the image trails on the backup node.
- The RDF processes shut down in a manner similar to when a stop TMF record is encountered in the audit trail.
- Each updater shuts down after it has applied all audit records up to the stop point.
- The purger process reports event 852, indicating that all updaters have stopped and the drain has completed.

REVERSE

causes RDF to replicate all audit records up to the time the command was issued, then run the configured reverse trigger program.

You must stop all transaction activity on the primary system before issuing the STOP RDF, REVERSE command. If there is active transaction activity on the RDF-protected database, the database could lose integrity or data could be lost when RDF is initialized and started in reverse. To emphasize these risks, RDFCOM displays this challenge in response to STOP RDF, REVERSE commands:

```
**** All transaction activity in this RDF environment  
**** must stopped before the STOP RDF, REVERSE command  
**** is executed.  
**** The REVERSE TRIGGER will be run even if the primary  
**** application has not yet been stopped.  
**** Are you sure you want to continue ? (yes/no)
```

To proceed you must type “yes” (not “y” or carriage return). “no” cancels the command and returns you to the RDFCOM command prompt. Any other response results in this question:

```
**** Are you sure you want to continue ? (yes/no)
```

Again you must type either “yes” or “no”.

Where Issued

You can issue the STOP RDF, DRAIN and STOP RDF, REVERSE commands only at the primary system.

Security Restrictions

You can issue the STOP RDF command if you are a member of the super-user group that initialized RDF and have a remote password from the RDF primary system to the backup.

RDF State Requirement

You can issue the STOP RDF, DRAIN and STOP RDF, REVERSE commands only while RDF is running and update is on.

Usage Guidelines

The decision to stop RDF is a management decision that should be carefully planned and performed. Operators should never issue the STOP RDF command strictly on their own initiative. To execute a planned RDF shutdown, you should generally use the STOP TMF command rather than STOP RDF. Issue the STOP TMF command at the primary system while the communications lines are up. In addition to stopping TMF, this action stops all RDF processes and saves the context of each process in a file. Alternatively, if you have multiple applications running on your primary system and not all of the databases are RDF-protected, then stopping TMF to coordinate a planned and synchronized shutdown may not be possible. In this case, you can perform an ordered stop (do not perform a TACL stop that would then cause in-flight transactions to be aborted by TMF) of the applications updating the RDF-protected database, and when you are certain they have completed, then issue the STOP RDF, DRAIN command. Because your applications have stopped, then the RDF-protected database on the primary system is closed and is in the same state as if TMF was stopped. See “Critical Operations, Special Situations, and Error Conditions” (page 121) for a discussion on how this operation may be of value to you. For information about when to use the STOP RDF command and how it affects the primary and backup databases, see “Stopping RDF” (page 132).

There are three ways to stop RDF:

- Issue a STOP TMF command at the primary system.
When you issue the TMFCOM command STOP TMF, RDF also shuts down after RDF encounters the TMF shutdown record in the MAT. This method ensures that the primary and backup databases are logically identical with one another when RDF stops. When you restart RDF, the context file directs RDF where to resume.
- Issue a STOP RDF command at the primary system.
If the decision has been made to stop RDF without stopping TMF, issue a STOP RDF command at the primary system. RDF stops immediately after all RDF processes save context information in the context file.
- Issue a STOP RDF command at the backup system.
You should use this method of stopping RDF only if one of the following two conditions is true:
 - The RDF monitor process is not running on the primary system.
 - All communications lines to the primary system are down.If the decision has been made to stop RDF on the backup system, issue a STOP RDF command at the backup system. All processes running on the backup system write context information to a context file and then stop.
If the communications lines between the primary and backup systems are up, a STOP RDF command issued at the backup system fails, and RDFCOM displays an error message.



NOTE: Before you can restart RDF, you must stop RDF on the primary system as well.

When RDFCOM executes the STOP RDF command, it writes a message to the RDF log file indicating this action.

Updaters cannot always respond immediately to a STOP RDF command. If an updater has audit records queued for the disk process, the updater must wait until all of that information is processed before it can shut down.

If RDF appears to be hung and unable to shutdown, you can stop the RDF by issuing the following TACL command:

```
SSTATUS *. PROG, $SYSTEM.RDF.*, STOP
```

This assumes your RDF software is in \$SYSTEM.RDF. If you have set the RDF SOFTWARELOC attribute to a different location, use that location instead of \$SYSTEM.RDF.



CAUTION: Issuing this command in this situation is only safe, however, if this is the backup system for a single RDF environment.

The STOP RDF, REVERSE command is a special purpose function designed for a fast switchover operation. See the related discussion in “Critical Operations, Special Situations, and Error Conditions” (page 121).

RDF must be running in the Normal state (with Update On) to issue a STOP RDF, DRAIN or STOP RDF, REVERSE command. In addition, entering either command under any of these conditions results in an error:

- on the backup system
- while RDF is stopping due to a stop TMF
- while a stop-update-to-timestamp operation is pending
- while a SQL DDL operation with SHARED ACCESS is being processed

Examples

To request RDFCOM to stop RDF, enter:

```
] STOP RDF
```

The command to stop RDF in a coordinated manner after having stopped your applications is:

```
] STOP RDF, DRAIN
```

The command to stop RDF for a coordinated fast switchover is:

```
] STOP RDF, REVERSE
```

STOP SYNCH

The STOP SYNCH command is used as part of the online database synchronization protocol.

```
STOP SYNCH
```

Where Issued

Primary system.

Security Restrictions

You can issue the STOP SYNCH command if you are a member of the super-user group and have a remote password from the RDF primary system to the backup.

RDF State Requirement

You can issue the STOP SYNCH command only when RDF is running.

Usage Guidelines

You must wait until the preceding load or TMF FRNL operations have completed before issuing this command.

See the descriptions of online database synchronization in [Chapter 7 \(page 167\)](#) for the proper use of this command.

Example

To issue this command as part of online database synchronization, enter:

```
] STOP SYNCH
```

STOP UPDATE

The STOP UPDATE command suspends updating of the backup database and stops all updater processes. When all updater processes are stopped, RDF issues a 910 EMS message.

```
STOP UPDATE [ , TIMESTAMP <day><mon><year><hour>:<min> ]
```

If you use the TIMESTAMP option, the operation is called a stop-update-to-time operation, which is discussed further below.



NOTE: The timestamp you specify must be at least 5 minutes later than the current time at your primary system. If you specify an earlier time, an error message appears. Additionally, all transactions that committed prior to the timestamp are applied and retained in the backup database. Any transactions that committed at or after the specified timestamp are backed out of the backup database. When you subsequently restart Update, any transactions undone during the previous stop-update-to-time operation are reapplied to the backup database, thereby keeping the backup database in full synchronization with the primary database.

day

is a number from 1 to 31.

month

is the first three letters of the month, such as JAN, FEB, MAR.

year

is a four-digit number, such as 2004.

hour

is a number from 0 to 23.

min

is a number from 00 to 59. min must be preceded by a colon (:).

Where Issued

Primary system only.

Security Restrictions

You can issue the STOP UPDATE command if you are a member of the super-user group and have a remote password from the RDF primary system to the backup.

RDF State Requirement

You can issue the STOP UPDATE command only when RDF is running.

Usage Guidelines

Use the STATUS RDF command to determine whether updating is enabled or disabled. If updating is disabled, the STATUS RDF display specifies the state “Update stopped” and shows no status information for the updater processes.

When you disable updating with the STOP UPDATE command, the extractor continues to send all relevant audit from the primary system to the receiver, and the latter stores it in the image trails. Therefore if you STOP UPDATE, you still have full RDF protection. If your primary system should fail, you have only to issue the RDF TAKEOVER command and the updaters are restarted in order to apply all remaining committed transactions stored in the image trails to the backup database.

When you stop the updaters without the TIMESTAMP option, the backup database is not typically in a consistent state. This does not mean that the backup database is not out of running synchronization with the primary database, but it does mean the some transactions may have been partially applied to the backup database. Stopping the updaters without the TIMESTAMP option is useful for performing a variety of different operations, such as maintenance tasks or producing reports based on what is commonly known as BROWSE ACCESS. For related information, see “Reading the Backup Database (BROWSE versus STABLE Access)” (page 149) in Chapter 5.

If you want to read the backup database when it is in a fully consistent state with respect to transaction boundaries, then use the TIMESTAMP option with the STOP UPDATE command. This stop-update-to-time operation is fully discussed in the section “Access to Backup Databases with Stable Access” (page 150) in Chapter 5. A stop-update-to-time operation typically includes an undo pass to back out any updates the updaters may have applied for transactions that did not commit by the specified timestamp. Any transactions backed out are reapplied when you issue the next START UPDATE command.

If you issue the STOP UPDATE command without the TIMESTAMP option, the RDFCOM prompt is not returned until all updaters have stopped. If you include the TIMESTAMP option, then the RDFCOM prompt is returned immediately since the stoppage is required to be at least 5 minutes in the future.

See also the discussion on RDF states displayed by the STATUS RDF command in this chapter as well as in the section “Displaying Current Configuration Parameters and Operating Statistics” in Chapter 4.

Updaters cannot always respond immediately to a STOP UPDATE command. If an updater has audit records queued for the disk process, the updater must wait until all of that information is processed before it can shut down.

If you erroneously set the timestamp too far into the future (for example, 26NOV2009), the only way to correct this mistake is to enter a STOP RDF command, restart RDF, and reenter the STOP UPDATE command with the correct timestamp.

If all protected data volumes on the primary system are not up and enabled when the specified TIMESTAMP is reached, both the stop-update-to-time operation and the RDF product abort. In such a case, you can restart RDF immediately but you should not reissue the stop-update-to-time command until all protected data volumes on the primary system are up and enabled.

Examples

To suspend updating activities and stop the updater processes, enter this command:

```
STOP UPDATE
```

To suspend updating activities and stop the updaters from processing transactions committed by 2:30 P.M. or later on January 20, 2004, enter this command:

```
STOP UPDATE, TIMESTAMP 20JAN2004 14:30
```

TAKEOVER

The TAKEOVER command puts the backup database into a consistent state with regard to transaction boundaries, after which it can become your new database of record.

TAKEOVER [!]

If you omit the ! option, then RDFCOM attempts to reach the primary system to verify that it is indeed inaccessible. If it is able to reach the RDF monitor and extractor on the primary system, then the TAKEOVER command is immediately aborted. If the primary system is inaccessible, it then prompts you to confirm that you really want to execute the takeover. The reason for both tasks is to allow you to be certain you are not mistakenly issuing the TAKEOVER command.

If you include the ! option, then the step to access the primary and the prompting are both omitted and the takeover operation proceeds immediately.



NOTE: If you include the ! option and the primary system is still accessible, then the TAKEOVER command may very well put your backup database out of synchronization with the primary database. Therefore you should only include the ! option if you are absolutely certain you want to proceed unequivocally with the takeover operation.

Where Issued

Backup system only.

Security Restrictions

You can issue the TAKEOVER command if you are the member of the super-user group that initialized RDF.

Usage Guidelines

The TAKEOVER command is customarily issued when the primary system fails or otherwise becomes unavailable, and you want to make the backup database your new database of record for your applications.



CAUTION: The TAKEOVER command is not a normal operational command. **Operators should never issue this command strictly on their own initiative.** Issue this command only when specifically told to do so by someone in high authority.

For a thorough discussion of a variety of issues you need to plan for in order to facilitate a fast overall takeover operation that moves your application processing to the backup system, see the discussion for “How to Plan for the Fastest Movement of Business Operations to Your Backup System After Takeover” (page 144) in Chapter 5. The TAKEOVER command normally takes only a matter of a few seconds, but all the other considerations and tasks delay moving your applications to the backup system. With advanced planning, RDF customers have been able to recover from loss of the primary system and resume operations on the backup system within a small number of minutes, but it requires advanced planning.

For takeover considerations in a ZLT environment, see [Chapter 17 \(page 337\)](#).

If RDF is running with Update On in a non-ZLT environment, then RDFCOM sends a takeover message to each RDF process on the backup system, and an RDF monitor is not started.

If RDF is running with updating off, RDFCOM stops the receiver and purger processes and starts the monitor in takeover mode. The monitor then starts the receiver and purger processes and all updater processes.

In a non-network configuration, a takeover operation occurs in two phases.

- Phase 1 (local undo) undoes transaction data that was incomplete at the backup system at the time the primary system failed. That is, it undoes transactions that were applied during the redo phase but the final states of those transactions are unknown by RDF.
- Phase 2 (file undo) only runs if volumes went down on the primary system, transactions were aborted, and the volumes were never reenabled on the primary system before the primary system was lost. In that situation, RDF determines what Backout could not undo, and performs that undo itself.

A network configuration adds a third phase (network undo). See [Chapter 14 \(page 295\)](#).

For more information about undo processing during a takeover operation, see Takeover Operations in [Chapter 5 \(page 121\)](#).

During the takeover operation, the purger produces lists that identify all transactions that must be undone by the updaters during the three different undo phases. These are stored in structured files, but they can be read with the READLIST utility in the RDF software's subvolume. See page 334 for the files that are created for the three undo phases. Additionally, if you have configured RDF UPDATEREXCEPTION ON, then each updater record information about each audit record it undoes during the undo passes into its own exception file, thereby giving you an accurate account of what was undone by each updater. If you have this attribute off, then it only records the first and last record it has undone. Under normal conditions, the number of transactions undone by an updater is small and writing to the exception file has not measurable cost. In some circumstances, writing to the exception file can prolong the RDF takeover operation:

- [long-running batch transactions](#)

If a long batch transaction was running on your primary system that did a large number of updaters at the time the primary system failed, then all of these need to be undone by the updaters; if UPDATEREXCEPTION is ON, then each update of the batch needs to be undone and an exception record written.

- [Auxiliary Audit and a Comm Problem](#)

If your RDF environment includes extractor-receiver pairs associated with auxiliary audit trails, then if one extractor-receiver pair has fallen way behind because of a communications problems, then all affected transactions must be undone by all affected updaters, and this can lead to a lot of audit being undone with exception records.

- [RDF Network](#)

If you have an RDF Network and one primary system suffers an unplanned outage, then the amount of undo required by all backup systems is proportional to how long it takes you to stop all transaction processing on the surviving primary systems. If this is not done quickly, then all these transactions might need to be undone in order to guarantee business consistency after the RDF takeover operation completes, which could also generate a large volume of exceptions records.

When all the updater processes shut down, the purger checks to see if each completed its takeover processing. If yes, the purger logs RDF event 724. If some updaters stopped prematurely (for example, double CPU failure), it logs RDF event 725. In the latter case, you only need to be sure all CPUs are available and then reissue the TAKEOVER command.

It is conceivable that one or more transactions could get committed on the primary database immediately prior to the TAKEOVER operation but that their commit records did not reach the backup system before the primary system failure. If that happens, the audit data for the affected transactions is not committed on the backup system and is instead written to the exception file if you have RDF UPDATEREXCEPTION ON.

Updater Exception files can be read by the RDFSNOOP utility. For information about using RDFSNOOP, see [Appendix B \(page 359\)](#).

If your primary system is recovered and comes back online, See [Chapter 5 \(page 121\)](#) for how to recover it and use its database as a backup to the database on your backup system where your application processing is not taking place.

For further related considerations, see also Exception File Optimization in [Chapter 5 \(page 121\)](#).

Limitation

When building the undo list for an RDF takeover operation, the purger has a limit of 655,360 transactions. If this limit is exceeded, the purger process logs an RDF event 853 and abends. In this situation, contact your service provider. With some special settings, there is no limit to the number of transactions that can be undone during a takeover operation.

Example

This command sequence initiates RDF TAKEOVER processing in which the backup system \TORONTO takes over processing from the primary system \SANFRAN.

1. From the TACL command interpreter on the backup system (\TORONTO), enter:

```
>RDFCOM SANFRAN
```

2. From within the RDFCOM session, enter:

```
] TAKEOVER
```

3. RDF displays this prompt message:

```
*** TAKEOVER assumes a disaster on \SANFRAN has occurred.  
Are you sure you want to TAKEOVER?
```

To proceed with the TAKEOVER operation, enter Y or YES.

To stop the TAKEOVER operation, enter N or NO.

After you enter your response, RDFCOM prompts you for your next command.

4. Having initiated the RDF TAKEOVER operation, you can then use a STATUS RDF command to determine the status of the TAKEOVER operation. If the TAKEOVER operation is still in progress when you enter the STATUS RDF command, the subsystem displays the current state as "TAKEOVER IN PROGRESS."

If the TAKEOVER is finished, RDF displays this message in response to the STATUS RDF command:

```
STATUS RDF (\SANFRAN -> \TORONTO6) is NOT running  
An RDF TAKEOVER has completed  
Safe MAT position is SNO 1, RBA 87876660  
MAT position for File Recovery: SNO 1, RBA 87876740
```

Check the log for 724 or 725 messages. Message 724 indicates that the takeover completed successfully. Message 725 indicates that it did not, and you should reissue the TAKEOVER command.

UNPINAUDIT

The UNPINAUDIT command unpins TMF audit trail files on the primary system.

UNPINAUDIT

Where Issued

Primary system only.

Security Restrictions

You can issue the UNPINAUDIT command if you are a member of the super-user group.

RDF State Requirement

You can only issue the UNPINAUDIT command while RDF is stopped.

Usage Guidelines

If the system at which you issue the UNPINAUDIT command is the primary system in more than one RDF configuration, then you must open the RDF control subvolume and issue another UNPINAUDIT command for each of the other RDF configurations as well. The TMF audit trail files will not be unpinned until an UNPINAUDIT command has been executed for all RDF configurations that use them.

If you cannot remember all of the RDF configurations that might have pinned audit trail files and the pinned files are affecting TMF, then you must stop TMF. While audit files remain pinned even when RDF is stopped, no files are pinned once TMF has been stopped and restarted.

If you unpin files, RDF cannot be restarted if the files required by the extractor cannot be made available. When you unpin audit trail files, be sure that these files are dumped to disk or tape. If they are not dumped and the TMP renames the file or files required by the extractor, you will have to reinitialize RDF.

In response to the UNPINAUDIT command, RDFCOM issues a prompt asking you to confirm your request.

If the files are unpinned successfully, RDFCOM issues an informational message to that effect.

If an error occurs while attempting to unpin the audit trail files, the command is ignored, and RDFCOM issues a message indicating the error.

Example

To unpin TMF audit trail files on the primary system, enter:

```
] UNPINAUDIT
```

VALIDATE CONFIGURATION

The VALIDATE CONFIGURATION command validates the parameters in the RDF configuration file.

```
VALIDATE CONFIGURATION
```

Where Issued

Primary system only.

Security Restrictions

You can issue the VALIDATE CONFIGURATION command if you are a member of the super-user group.

RDF State Requirement

You can only issue the VALIDATE CONFIGURATION command while RDF is stopped.

Usage Guidelines

It is often useful to issue a VALIDATE CONFIGURATION command just prior to issuing a START RDF command. If the validation check reveals errors in the configuration file, you can correct them immediately, ensuring that the START RDF operation will complete successfully.

Transaction processing need not be enabled on the primary system, however, when you enter the VALIDATE CONFIGURATION command.

Whenever you issue a START RDF command, RDF automatically validates the configuration as though a VALIDATE CONFIGURATION command was explicitly issued.

In response to a **VALIDATE CONFIGURATION** command, RDF verifies:

- RDF global options are configured.
- RDF is initialized, and TMF is running on the primary system.
- The monitor, extractor, receiver, purger, and at least one updater are all configured.
- The primary and backup CPUs are different from each other for each of the monitor, extractor, receiver, purger, and updater processes.
- The TMF audit trail referred to by the context file exists (for an RDF restart).
- All necessary RDF image files are present (for an RDF restart).
- The volumes for the image files (specified by the **RDFVOLUME** option of a **SET RECEIVER** command and any **ADD IMAGETRAIL** commands) are valid and exist on the backup system.
- The volumes for the image files have enough room for two more image files (for an RDF restart).
- The primary volumes associated with the updater processes are valid and are being audited to the TMF audit trail.
- The backup volume associated with each updater process (specified by the **UPDATEVOLUME** option of the **SET VOLUME** command) exists on the backup system.
- Mapping strings specified in the mapfiles of all the updaters are valid.

If **RDFCOM** detects any configuration errors, it displays an appropriate message.

Example

To validate the RDF configuration, enter:

```
] VALIDATE CONFIGURATION
```

If the current content of the RDF configuration file is valid, **RDFCOM** displays this message:

```
Configuration Validated
```

If any of the parameters in the RDF configuration file are not valid, **RDFCOM** displays a message such as:

```
BACKUPSYSTEM (\TORONTO) is not available
```

```
RECEIVER RDFVOLUME $TRAIN does not exist
```

9 Entering RDFSCAN Commands

All RDF messages are directed to an EMS event log (collector). To examine that log without looking at all events for the entire system, you first use the standard EMS filter RDFFLTO to create an intermediate entry-sequenced file copy of the RDF log, and then enter commands through the RDFSCAN online utility.

This chapter, which is written for system managers and operators, describes the RDFSCAN commands and their attributes. In this chapter, you will find:

- “About the EMS Log” (page 261)
- “Elements of RDFSCAN Command Descriptions” (page 261)
- “RDFSCAN Commands” (page 262)

File names entered as parameters in RDFSCAN commands are subject to the same syntax rules as those used in RDFCOM commands. For these rules, see File Names and Process Identifiers in Chapter 8 (page 187).

About the EMS Log

The EMS log receives all messages from RDF, including those dealing with RDF startup and shutdown, RDF events, errors, and informative data. In an RDF configuration, an EMS log exists, and is assigned the same name, on both the primary and backup nodes.

The EMS log is specified as the global RDF parameter LOGFILE in the RDF configuration file. At configuration time, you can either

- Supply the name of the desired collector in a SET RDF LOGFILE command, and add it to the configuration file with an ADD RDF command
- Let RDF use \$0 by default

At any later time, you can change the collector specified in the configuration file by entering an ALTER RDF LOGFILE command.

You can use RDFSCAN to examine the RDF messages in the EMS log by way of an intermediate entry-sequenced file produced by the RDFFLTO filter. You must specify the name of the intermediate file in the RDFSCAN command that begins your session.

For more information about EMS event log content, format, and scanning methods, see:

- “Scanning the EMS Event Log” (page 38)
- “Running RDFSCAN” (page 109)
- “Performing Routine Operational Tasks” (page 112)

Elements of RDFSCAN Command Descriptions

The RDFSCAN command descriptions include the same elements as the RDFCOM command descriptions in Chapter 8 (page 187), except for these items, which are not included because they are the same in all cases:

- Where Issued: All RDFSCAN commands can be issued at either the primary or backup node.
- Security Restrictions: All RDFSCAN commands are unrestricted; they can be entered by anyone who can log on to the node.
- RDF State Requirement: All RDFSCAN commands can be entered at any time, whether or nor RDF is initialized or running.

In addition, this element is included only if applicable:

- **Output Displayed:** Only two RDFSCAN commands (LIST and SCAN) produce output, although others influence its content and destination.

For information about the other elements, see “Command Description Elements” in [Chapter 8](#) (page 187).

Except for the LOG and NOLOG commands, you can abbreviate the command name by entering only the first character (such as L for LIST) or any number of the leading characters (such as DIS for DISPLAY). You can use either uppercase or lowercase letters.

As in earlier chapters, the boldface text in the examples represents characters you enter in response to messages that prompt you for input.

Descriptions of all RDFSCAN commands follow in alphabetical order.

RDFSCAN Commands

AT

The AT command specifies the record in the intermediate entry-sequenced file at which RDFSCAN begins the next operation.

AT [*record-number*]

record-number

identifies the record by its record number. Record number 0 specifies the first record (RDF message) in the file.

Usage Guidelines

Messages generated by RDF are written to an EMS event log. The AT command specifies the starting point in the intermediate entry-sequenced file generated by the RDFFLTO filter where the LIST and SCAN commands, used to examine these messages, begin their operations.

If you enter the AT command without the record number, RDFSCAN prompts you:

Enter record number:

Examples

Suppose that \$SYSTEM.SANFRAN.RDFLOG is a file generated by RDFFLTO. To position the RDFSCAN pointer at record 750 within that file and then list 25 records, first enter AT 750 in response to the current RDFSCAN prompt:

Enter the RDFSCAN function you want: **AT 750**

RDFSCAN repositions its pointer and displays this message and prompt:

File: \$SYSTEM.SANFRAN.RDFLOG, current record: 750,
last record: 2955

Enter the next RDFSCAN function you want:

Now list the records by entering LIST 25 at the prompt:

Enter the next RDFSCAN function you want: **LIST 25**

RDFSCAN responds by listing the records. For information about this listing, see “LIST” (page 265).

DISPLAY

The DISPLAY command enables or disables the display of line (record) numbers in subsequent RDFSCAN output.

DISPLAY {ON | OFF}

ON

enables the display of record numbers.

OFF

disables the display of record numbers.

Usage Guidelines

The DISPLAY function is automatically enabled if pattern matching is enabled and is automatically disabled if pattern matching is disabled.

For information about enabling and disabling pattern matching, see the MATCH command description in “MATCH” (page 267).

Examples

Suppose that \$SYSTEM.SANFRAN.RDFLOG is a file generated by RDFFLTO, that the RDFSCAN pointer is positioned at record 2947, and that pattern matching is disabled (no match pattern has yet been defined in a MATCH command). To display the next four records in the file with the record numbers showing, enter the DISPLAY ON command followed by the LIST 4 command:

Enter the next RDFscan function you want: **DISPLAY ON**

File: \$SYSTEM.SANFRAN.RDFLOG, current record: 2947, last
record: 2955

Enter the next RDFscan function you want: **LIST 4**

Record number: 2947

2004/06/11 15:13:30 \LAB1 \$LEXT 774 RDF Local Extractor
Started

Record number: 2948

2004/06/11 16:10:01 \LAB1 \$RDFCOM 835 STOP UPDATE

Record number: 2949

2004/06/11 16:10:06 \LAB1 \$ZRDF 808 Update mode has been
set OFF

Record number: 2950

2004/06/11 16:49:56 \LAB1 \$RDFCOM 835 STOP RDF

File: \$SYSTEM.SANFRAN.RDFLOG, current record: 2951, last
record: 2955

Enter the next RDFscan function you want:

If you issue a LIST 4 command only, without setting the display feature on, RDFSCAN displays:

Enter the next RDFscan function you want: **LIST 4**

2004/06/11 15:13:30 \LAB1 \$LEXT 774 RDF Local Extractor
Started

2004/06/11 16:10:01 \LAB1 \$RDFCOM 835 STOP UPDATE

2004/06/11 16:10:06 \LAB1 \$ZRDF 808 Update mode has been
set OFF

2004/06/11 16:49:56 \LAB1 \$RDFCOM 835 STOP RDF

File: \$SYSTEM.SANFRAN.RDFLOG, current record: 2951, last
record: 2955

Enter the next RDFscan function you want:

EXIT

The EXIT command ends your current RDFSCAN session.

EXIT

Usage Guidelines

When you issue the EXIT command, RDFSCAN terminates your session and returns control to the TACL command interpreter.

You can also end your session by pressing the Control and Y keys at the same time (Ctrl-Y), which is equivalent to issuing the EXIT command.

Examples

If you issue an EXIT command in response to the RDFSCAN prompt, RDFSCAN terminates the session and displays a logoff message:

```
Enter the next RDFscan function you want:  EXIT  
Thank you for using RDFscan
```

If you press Ctrl-Y in response to the RDFSCAN prompt, RDFSCAN terminates the session and displays an end-of-file indication followed by the logoff message:

```
Enter the next RDFscan function you want:  Ctrl-Y  
EOF!
```

```
Thank you for using RDFscan
```

FILE

The FILE command selects a file generated by the RDFFLTO filter to which subsequent RDFSCAN commands apply.

```
FILE [ \system. ] [ $volume. ] [ subvolume. ] file  
\system
```

identifies the system on which the file is stored.

```
$volume
```

identifies the disk volume on which the file is stored.

```
subvolume
```

identifies the subvolume on which the file is stored.

```
file
```

identifies the file that you want to examine.

Usage Guidelines

The FILE command allows you to examine a different file than the one your session is currently accessing. In fact, you can use the FILE command to specify any entry-sequenced file.

When you issue the FILE command, RDFSCAN identifies the file specified as the one to which subsequent AT, DISPLAY, LIST, MATCH, and SCAN commands in this session apply—the **target file** for these commands. This file remains the target file until you specify a new target in a later FILE command, or until you end the session.

If you enter a FILE command without specifying a file name, RDFSCAN prompts you for this name by displaying

```
Enter new filename:
```

Examples

Suppose you have been examining the file \$SYSTEM.GOLDGT.OLDLOG from a session on the primary node \SANFRAN, but now want to look at another file, NEWLOG, on the same node, volume, and subvolume. This command closes OLDLOG, switches the target file to NEWLOG, and opens NEWLOG:

```
Enter the next RDFscan function you want:  FILE NEWLOG
```

When it receives this command, RDFSCAN displays a message of this format, followed by a prompt for a new command:

```
File: $SYSTEM.GOLDGT.NEWLOG, current record: 5432,  
      last record: 6733  
Enter the next RDFscan function you want:
```

HELP

The HELP command displays the syntax of RDFSCAN commands or introductory information about the RDFSCAN utility.

```
HELP [ ALL      ]
      [ INTRO    ]
      [ command ]
```

ALL

displays the syntax of all RDFSCAN commands.

INTRO

displays information on how to use the RDFSCAN utility.

command

displays the syntax of the RDFSCAN command indicated by *command*.

Usage Guidelines

If you enter HELP without any option, RDFSCAN prompts you:

```
HELP Function
```

```
Enter command or ALL:
```

Examples

To display the syntax of the LOG command, enter the HELP LOG command:

```
Enter the next RDFscan function you want:  HELP LOG
```

In response, RDFSCAN displays:

```
LOG filename
```

```
LOG allows you to echo to filename the records
displayed via LIST.  If filename does not exist, an
EDIT file is created for you.
```

```
File: $SYSTEM.SANFRAN.RDFLOG, current record: 9454,
      last record: 9466
```

```
Enter the next RDFSCAN function you want:
```

LIST

The LIST command displays a specified number of log messages that contain the current match pattern.

```
LIST number
```

number

is the maximum number of log records to be shown.

Usage Guidelines

If you omit the number of records to be listed, RDFSCAN prompts you:

```
Enter count to list:
```

The search begins at the current record (the record number specified in an immediately preceding AT command).

If pattern matching is enabled, the LIST command examines the file until RDFSCAN finds the specified number of matches or encounters the last record, whichever happens first. RDFSCAN displays all messages within that range that contain the current match pattern.

If pattern matching is disabled, the LIST command displays the specified number of messages starting at the current record. This behavior is identical to using the SCAN command with pattern matching disabled.

For information about enabling and disabling pattern matching, see the MATCH command description in “MATCH” (page 267).

Output Displayed

The LIST command displays the records in the file, including their record number (if the DISPLAY function is enabled) and the event logged in the record: the date and time of the event, the files involved in the event, and the event itself.

Examples

Suppose you want to display the first four messages (starting at record 500) that contain the match pattern \$AU02. You interact with RDFSCAN by entering the AT, MATCH, and LIST commands:

```
Enter the next RDFSCAN function you want:  AT 500
File: $SYSTEM.SANFRAN.RDFLOG, current record: 500,
      last record: 2955
```

```
Enter the next RDFSCAN function you want:  MATCH *$AU02*
File: $SYSTEM.SANFRAN.RDFLOG, current record: 500,
      last record: 2955, Pattern: *AU02*
```

```
Enter the next RDFSCAN function you want:  LIST 4
Record number: 553
2004/06/08 04:13:49 \LAB1  $AU02 790 Backup Process
      Created in Processor 03
Record number: 554
2004/06/08 04:13:49 \LAB1  $AU02 718 Switched to original
      Primary Processor
Record number: 792
2004/06/08 05:01:35 \LAB1  $AU02 790 Backup Process Created
      in Processor 03
Record number: 793
2004/06/08 05:01:35 \LAB1  $AU02 718 Switched to original
      Primary Processor
File: $SYSTEM.SANFRAN.RDFLOG, current record: 794, last
      record: 2955
```

```
Enter the next RDFSCAN function you want:
```

LOG

The LOG command selects a file to which subsequent LIST commands copy their output in addition to the standard output device. When you issue the LOG command followed by a LIST command, RDFSCAN continues to display the LIST records on the standard device and also copies them to the file specified in the LOG command.

```
LOG [\system.] [$volume.] [subvolume.] file
```

\system

identifies the system on which the destination file is located.

\$volume

identifies the disk volume on which the destination file is located.

subvolume

identifies the subvolume in which the destination file is located.

file

identifies the destination file for the records.

Usage Guidelines

The LIST command always transmits its output to the standard output device for RDFSCAN, which is normally your terminal. When you specify a destination file in the LOG command, RDFSCAN directs subsequent LIST command output to that destination file as well as producing it on the standard output device. That is, with the LOG command, LIST output goes both to your terminal and the file specified in LOG.



NOTE: Do not confuse the file specified in the LOG command with the EMS event log that receives RDF messages and whose contents are displayed by the LIST command. For information about selecting the file for your session, see FILE command description in “FILE” (page 264).

If the file specified by the LOG command does not exist, RDFSCAN creates an EDIT file of that name.

If you enter a LOG command without specifying a file name, RDFSCAN prompts you for the file name by displaying:

Enter log file name:

To terminate copying to the file selected by LOG, issue a NOLOG command.

Output Displayed

The LOG command copies the records to the destination file in the same format used by the LIST command.

Examples

Suppose you are examining the entry-sequenced file \$SYSTEM.SANFRAN.RDFLOG from within an RDFSCAN session on the primary node \SANFRAN and that your default volume and subvolume are \$SYSTEM and SANFRAN, respectively. To copy all records that you examine with the LIST command to the file named \$SYSTEM.SANFRAN.ECHO, enter LOG ECHO in response to the RDFSCAN prompt, interacting with RDFSCAN in this way:

```
.
.
.
Enter the next RDFSCAN function you want:  LOG ECHO

Logfile opened.
File: $SYSTEM.SANFRAN.RDFLOG, current record: 9454,
      last record: 9466

Enter the next RDFSCAN function you want:  LIST 100
.
.
.
```

MATCH

The MATCH command specifies a pattern to search for in the file. RDFSCAN searches for the specified character string without regard for uppercase or lowercase.

MATCH *text*

text

specifies a match pattern.

Usage Guidelines

The match pattern you specify in the MATCH command is used in searches subsequently conducted by the LIST and SCAN commands. Pattern matching is disabled until you enter a MATCH command.

If you enter the MATCH command but omit the *text* parameter, the RDFSCAN prompts you for a match pattern.

To disable pattern matching, merely press the RETURN key at the prompt without entering a pattern.

When entering a match pattern, you can use asterisks (*) and question marks (?) as wild-card characters.

When pattern matching is enabled, the DISPLAY function is automatically enabled; when pattern matching is disabled, the DISPLAY function is automatically disabled.

Table 9-1 shows the symbols RDFSCAN uses in pattern matching.

Table 9-1 Pattern Matching Symbols in RDFSCAN

Symbol	Meaning
*	Zero or more characters correspond to this position.
?	Any character can be in this position.
Text	Text in this exact position must match.

Examples

The commands in this example specify scanning the entry-sequenced file, starting at record 1000, for the first five records that contain the text “LOG FILE”:

```
Enter the next RDFSCAN function you want: MATCH *LOG FILE*
File: $SYSTEM.SANFRAN.RDFLOG, current record: 6454,
last record: 9466, Pattern: *LOG FILE*
```

```
Enter the next RDFSCAN function you want: AT 1000
File: $SYSTEM.SANFRAN.RDFLOG, current record: 1000,
last record: 9466, Pattern: *LOG FILE*
```

```
Enter the next RDFSCAN function you want: LIST 5
Record number: 1134
2004/06/04 11:31:50 \LAB2 $Z048 709 Log File Opened or
Altered $SYSTEM.SANFRAN.RDFLOG
Record number: 1356
2004/06/04 13:22:51 \LAB2 $Z048 709 Log File Opened or
Altered $SYSTEM.SANFRAN.RDFLOG
Record number: 1519
2004/06/04 15:28:22 \LAB2 $Z049 709 Log File Opened or
Altered $SYSTEM.SANFRAN.RDFLOG
Record number: 3458
2004/06/04 18:17:53 \LAB2 $Z050 709 Log File Opened or
Altered $SYSTEM.SANFRAN.RDFLOG
Record number: 6577
2004/06/04 20:41:13 \LAB2 $Z050 709 Log File Opened or
Altered $SYSTEM.CTS.RDFLOG
File: $SYSTEM.SANFRAN.RDFLOG, current record: 6578,
last record: 9466, Pattern: *LOG FILE*
```

```
Enter the next RDFSCAN function you want:
```

NOLOG

The NOLOG command disables LIST command copying that was previously enabled by a LOG command.

```
NOLOG
```

Usage Guidelines

When you issue the NOLOG command, RDFSCAN stops copying records to the file specified in the LOG command. However, RDFSCAN continues to display at your terminal all records accessed by subsequent LIST commands.

Examples

This command disables the copying of LIST command output:

Enter the next RDFSCAN function you want: **NOLOG**

File: \$SYSTEM.SANFRAN.RDFLOG, current record: 9454,
last record: 9466

Enter the next RDFSCAN function you want:

SCAN

The SCAN command scans a specific number of messages in the file and displays all of those in that range that contain the current match pattern.

SCAN *number*

number

number is the number of messages to scan within the log file.

Usage Guidelines

The search begins at the current record (ordinarily the record number specified in an immediately preceding AT command), and continues until either the number of records specified in *number* are examined or until the end-of-file is reached, whichever comes first.

If pattern matching is enabled, the SCAN command displays only those records that contain the current match pattern.

If pattern matching is disabled, the SCAN command displays the specified number of messages starting at the current record. This behavior is identical to using the LIST command with pattern matching disabled.



NOTE: The SCAN command performs a slightly different operation than the LIST command when pattern matching is enabled. For example:

- If you specify SCAN 10, RDFSCAN searches *the next 10 records* for the currently specified pattern and displays all records *from among those 10* in which the pattern is found. For instance, if only 6 records among the next 10 contain that pattern, only those 6 records are displayed. RDFSCAN searches until either 10 records are examined or the end-of-file is encountered, whichever comes first.
- If you specify LIST 10, RDFSCAN searches *the rest of the file* for the currently-specified pattern and displays *the first 10 records between the current location and the end of the file* that contain that pattern. RDFSCAN searches until either 10 records are displayed or the end-of-file is reached, whichever comes first. If the rest of the file contains only 6 records that match, only those 6 records are displayed.

For information about enabling and disabling pattern matching, see the MATCH command description in “MATCH” (page 267).

Examples

The commands in this example specify displaying all messages in the file from record 1000 through record 2000 that contain the match pattern \$AU02:

Enter the next RDFSCAN function you want: **AT 1000**
File: \$SYSTEM.SANFRAN.RDFLOG, current record: 1000,
last record: 2955

Enter the next RDFSCAN function you want: **MATCH *\$AU02***
File: \$SYSTEM.SANFRAN.RDFLOG, current record: 1000,
last record: 2955, Pattern: *AU02*

Enter the next RDFSCAN function you want: **SCAN 1000**
Record number: 1011
2004/06/08 04:13:49 \LAB1 \$AU02 790 Backup Process
Created in Processor 03
Record number: 1342
2004/06/08 04:13:49 \LAB1 \$AU02 718 Switched to original
Primary Processor
Record number: 1792
2004/06/08 05:01:35 \LAB1 \$AU02 790 Backup Process Created
in Processor 03
Record number: 1933
2004/06/08 05:01:35 \LAB1 \$AU02 718 Switched to original
Primary Processor
File: \$SYSTEM.SANFRAN.RDFLOG, current record: 2000, last
record: 2955

10 Triple Contingency

The triple contingency feature makes it possible for your applications to resume running with full RDF protection within minutes after loss of your primary system.



NOTE: Replication of network transactions is not supported in conjunction with the triple contingency feature, nor is the replication of auxiliary audit trails. You can, however, use the RDF/ZLT product to achieve triple contingency protection for RDF configurations that include auxiliary audit trails (that capability is described at the end of this chapter).

Overview

The triple contingency feature is made possible by the ability to replicate to multiple backup systems. Physically, triple contingency consists of two RDF configurations with the same primary system but separate backup systems:

```
RDF Configuration #1
  \A -----> \B
RDF Configuration #2
  \A -----> \C
```

Both RDF systems are virtually identical to one another, but one replicates data to the backup system \B and the other to the backup system \C.

Functionally, the triple contingency feature consists of:

- A purger configuration parameter, RETAINCOUNT, that prevents the purger process from purging image trail files that might be needed for triple contingency recovery.
- An RDFCOM command, COPYAUDIT, that quickly synchronizes the two backup databases after loss of the primary system and successful takeovers on the backup systems.

Requirements

You must be running the same release of RDF on all three systems.

All protected data volumes in both RDF environments must be mapped to the Master Audit Trail (MAT) of the associated primary system.

It is recommended, but not required, that the two backup systems have the same hardware configuration. They must, however, have the same data volumes and image trails.

The two RDF configurations must be configured identically (with a few minor exceptions, such as the suffix characters specified in the INITIALIZE RDF command and the process names for the extractors and monitors of the two RDF subsystems).

How Triple Contingency Works

In general, the triple contingency feature operates in this manner:

- The RETAINCOUNT configuration parameter on both backup systems prevents the purger process from purging image trail files that might be needed for triple contingency recovery.
- If the primary system fails, you execute two takeovers: one on each backup system. Upon successful completion of both takeovers (signalled by a 724 message in the EMS event log of both backup systems), the databases on the two backup systems will almost assuredly **not** be identical: one of the extractors will have been ahead of the other in its RDF processing when the failure occurred.
- Examine the EMS event log on both backup systems for a 735 message. That message, which follows the 724 message in the log, specifies the last position in the MAT that was seen by the receiver process. Compare the MAT positions in the two 735 messages and determine which of the two systems was **further behind** in its RDF processing when the failure occurred

(that is, which system had received the **least** amount of audit data from the extractor by the time the primary system was lost).

- On the backup system that was **further behind** (had the **least** amount of audit data), issue the COPYAUDIT command specifying the name of the other backup system and its RDF control subvolume. That command copies over all missing audit records from the designated system.
- Upon successful completion of the COPYAUDIT operation, do a second takeover on that system. When the second takeover has completed successfully, initialize and configure the two backup systems as a new primary-backup pair (either system can be the primary) and then restart application processing on the new primary system.

The remainder of this chapter discusses the hardware and software requirements, the RETAINCOUNT parameter, and the COPYAUDIT command in detail.



WARNING! To be able to use the triple contingency feature, it is imperative that you carefully obey the instructions and caveats presented in this chapter.

Hardware Requirements

Both backup systems should have similar hardware with respect to RDF operation (in particular, the data volumes and image trails must be identical between the two systems). It is also strongly recommended that the Expand bandwidth between the primary and backup systems be the same for both configurations, as well as between the two backup systems.

Software Requirements

You **must** be running the same release of RDF **on all three systems** (the primary system and both backup systems).

The two RDF subsystems should be configured identically with respect to both backup systems.

At the very least, **these key fields must be identical on both backup systems:**

- The primary database volumes being protected
- The mapping of data volumes between the primary and backup system
- The number of image trails
- The mapping of updaters to image trails
- The image trail extents
- The purger RETAINCOUNT

Other fields, such as process names and process priorities, do not need to be identical on the two backup systems.

It is strongly recommended, however, that the various RDF process priorities be identical on both backup systems so that the performance of the two systems is approximately the same.



WARNING! If the two backup systems are configured differently from one another in any important regard, the triple contingency feature will not work when you need it, and there will be no advance warning to that effect. Prior to a primary system failure, the two backup systems run independently of one another and no cross-checking whatsoever is performed to verify that they are configured compatibly for triple contingency recovery. To guarantee that the two backup systems are configured compatibly, it is strongly recommended that you FUP DUP the OBEY command file that you use for initializing and configuring one RDF configuration, change the suffix character and the backup system in the INITIALIZE RDF command (and perhaps some of the process names), and then use that same OBEY command file to initialize and configure the second RDF configuration.

The RETAINCOUNT Configuration Parameter

The purger RETAINCOUNT parameter specifies how many image trail files (including the one currently in use) must be retained on disk for each image trail. The default value for this parameter is two.

This parameter is important because if you lose the primary system, the triple contingency protocol will work only if one of the backup systems has retained all of the audit records that the other is missing.

For example, assume that you have lost the original primary system (\A), you have successfully completed a takeover on both backup systems (\B and \C), and the MAT positions displayed by the respective 735 messages are:

```
\B: 735 LAST MAT POSITION: Sno 10, RBA 100500000
\C: 735 LAST MAT POSITION: Sno 10, RBA 100000000
```

500 kilobytes of audit records is missing on \C.

Suppose that the image trail files are relatively small, such that the audit record at MAT 10, RBA 100000010 was placed at the start of image trail file AA000025 on \B. If the purger on \B is allowed to purge AA000025 before the takeovers occur, the triple contingency protocol will fail because \C is missing some of the purged audit records (Sno 10, RBA 100000010 through Sno 10, RBA 100500000).

The RETAINCOUNT parameter is designed to prevent such a situation, although it is up to you to set this value correctly.

You must determine how much time disparity to allow for in the event that one receiver falls behind the other. Such a disparity would occur, for example, if the communications lines between the primary system and one of the backup systems were to go down for some period of time. The RETAINCOUNT parameter must be such that no image trail files that might be needed for triple contingency are ever purged.

The best way to do determine the appropriate RETAINCOUNT value is to pick an acceptable time differential such as 24 hours, 36 hours, or 48 hours, determine how many image trail rollovers typically occur within that amount of time, and then set the RETAINCOUNT parameter to that number of files.

For example, if you believe the two receiver processes will never be more than 36 hours apart in their RDF processing and your image trail file sizes are such that rollovers occur only once every 24 hours, then you would be safe specifying a RETAINCOUNT of three for both backup systems. In that situation, the purger process on both backup systems will always keep at least three image trail files on disk (the one the receiver is currently writing to and the previous two). Assume, on the backup system which is further ahead in its RDF processing, that files AA000010, AA000011, and AA000012 are on disk, the receiver rolls over to file AA000013, and all updaters have just begun reading file AA000013. Files AA000010 through AA000012 might be considered expendable

(and therefore be eligible for purging), but, because the RETAINCOUNT is set to three, the purger process can only purge AA000010 (it must keep AA000011 and AA000012 on disk). Thus, as long as the RTD times of the extractors on the two backup systems are less than 36 hours apart, the triple contingency protocol will work successfully.

Similarly, if you believe the two receiver processes will never be more than 48 hours apart in their RDF processing and your image trail file sizes are such that approximately 20 rollovers occur every 24 hours, then you should set the RETAINCOUNT to 40 on both backup systems.

You set the RETAINCOUNT parameter by issuing this command:

```
SET PURGER RETAINCOUNT num
```

where num is a number within the range 2 through 5000. The default is 2.

You can alter the RETAINCOUNT only when RDF is stopped.

You alter the RETAINCOUNT parameter by issuing this command:

```
ALTER PURGER RETAINCOUNT num
```

where num is once again within the range 2 through 5000. (Before entering this command, however, you must first stop RDF.)

The COPYAUDIT Command

If the primary system fails, you must execute two takeovers: one on each backup system. Upon successful completion of both takeovers (signalled by a 724 message in the EMS event log of each backup system), the databases on the two backup systems will almost assuredly be different: one of the systems will have been further ahead of the other in its RDF processing when the failure occurred.

The COPYAUDIT command copies missing audit records from the backup system that was **further ahead** in its RDF processing (had the **most** amount of audit data) to the system that was **further behind** (had the **least** amount of audit data).

Upon successful completion of the two takeovers, examine the EMS event log on both backup systems for a 735 message. That message, which follows the 724 message in the log, specifies the last position in the MAT that was seen by the receiver process. Compare the MAT positions in the two 735 messages and determine which of the two systems was **further behind** in its RDF processing when the failure occurred (that is, which system had received the **least** amount of audit data from the extractor by the time the primary system was lost). Then issue a COPYAUDIT command on that system, specifying the name of the other backup system and its RDF control subvolume.

The syntax of the COPYAUDIT command is:

```
COPYAUDIT, REMOTESYS sys, REMOTECONTROLSUBVOL subvol
```

where sys is the name of the other system (the backup system that has the **most** amount of audit records) and subvol is the name of the RDF control subvolume on that system.

For this discussion, assume that you have established two RDF configurations:

RDF Configuration #1:

```
  \A -----> \B  
(The RDF control subvolume is A1 on both systems.)
```

RDF Configuration #2:

```
  \A -----> \C  
(The RDF control subvolume is A2 on both systems.)
```

Assume you have lost the original primary system (\A), you have successfully completed a takeover on both backup systems (\B and \C), and the MAT positions displayed by the respective 735 messages are:

```
\B:   735 LAST MAT POSITION: Sno 10, RBA 100500000
```

```
\C:   735 LAST MAT POSITION: Sno 10, RBA 100000000
```

500 kilobytes of audit records is missing on \C.

Because \C has the **least** amount of audit records, you must issue this command on \C:

```
COPYAUDIT, REMOTESYS \B, REMOTECONTROLSUBVOL A1
```

For each image trail, RDFCOM on \C reads its own context file to determine the MAT position of the last audit record in the trail. RDFCOM then searches the corresponding trail on \B to find that audit record and performs large block transfers to move all audit records beyond that point to the trail on \C. As it does this, RDFCOM issues messages to let you know which image trail it is currently processing.



NOTE: When it begins copying missing audit records from one system to the other, RDFCOM never alters any of the existing image trail files on the local system. Instead, it creates a brand new image file on the local system even if the starting point of the missing audit records on the other system is in a file with a different sequence number. This means that, upon completion of the COPYAUDIT operation, the local system will almost always have more image trail files (one or two per image trail) than the other system. This is expected behavior.

If the takeover completes successfully (the receiver logs an RDF message 724 followed by a 735 message containing the same detail as in the 735 message associated with the takeover on \B), the two databases are logically identical.

At that point you can initialize, configure, and start RDF on both systems and then resume application processing on the new primary system with full RDF protection.

COPYAUDIT Restartability

The COPYAUDIT command is restartable.

If an error condition aborts execution of a COPYAUDIT command, you merely correct the condition and then reissue the command. Upon restart, RDFCOM quickly checks the local system image files it had previously created to be sure they are still correct, deletes the file it was working on at the time of the error condition, and then resumes copying. Because it keeps track of where it was in the COPYAUDIT operation, RDFCOM does **not** have to recopy the previously copied image files.

RDFCOM abends if it encounters network problems while searching the remote image trails for missing audit records. If that happens, RDFCOM logs a message to the EMS event log, but not to the home terminal.

If RDFCOM encounters network problems during any other phase of COPYAUDIT execution, it does not abend. Instead, it logs a message to the home terminal and aborts the COPYAUDIT command.

Using ZLT to Achieve Triple Contingency Protection for Auxiliary Audit Trails

The COPYAUDIT command does not support auxiliary audit trails.

With the RDF/ZLT product, however, you can achieve the same protection without using a COPYAUDIT command, and thereby protect RDF environments that include auxiliary audit trails.

Triple Contingency Without ZLT

The triple contingency feature builds upon the ability to replicate to multiple backup systems. With this feature, you establish two essentially identical RDF configurations:

```
RDF Subsystem #1
  \A -----> \B
```

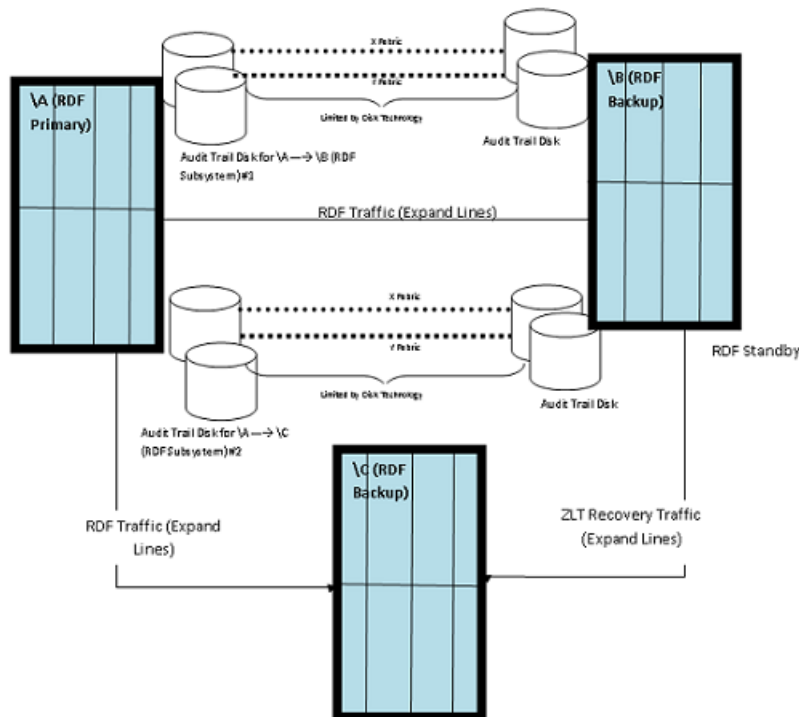
```
RDF Subsystem #2
  \A -----> \C
```

Because the two subsystems run independently of one another, if system \A fails and you execute TAKEOVER commands on systems \B and \C, the two backup databases might not be synchronized with one another. The extractor for the \A-to-\B subsystem, for example, might have replicated audit data to system \B, but, before the extractor for the \A-to-\C subsystem could replicate the same data to system \C, system \A failed. To correct this situation, you issue a COPYAUDIT command to transfer the extra audit data from system \B to system \C. You then reissue the TAKEOVER command on system \C, and the two backup databases are logically identical. At this point you can then continue application processing from system \B to system \C or from system \C to system \B within minutes of losing system \A.

Using ZLT to Achieve the same Protection

While the COPYAUDIT command does not work for RDF configurations that include auxiliary audit, you can achieve Triple Contingency with auxiliary audit by using the ZRDF/ZLT product because the ZLT functionality supports auxiliary audit. To achieve the same result using the RDF/ZLT product you configure system \B as the ZLT standby node for both RDF subsystems #1 and #2. Upon losing system \A, you connect the remote mirrors to system \B and issue TAKEOVER commands on both systems \B and \C. Since, as part of the ZLT takeover, each subsystem fetches the final audit data from the remote mirrors connected to system \B, both backup databases receive the same data. When the takeover operations are complete, the databases on systems \B and \C are logically identical to one another, you have not lost any committed data regardless of the number of auxiliary audit trails involved.

Figure 10-1 RDFZLT with Triple Contingency



Summary

To be able to use the triple contingency feature, you must:

1. Establish two RDF configurations with the same primary system and separate backup systems.
2. Ensure that the hardware configurations of the two backup systems are identical with regard to data volumes and image trail volumes.
3. Ensure that the data volumes and image trails of the two RDF configurations are configured identically with respect to the two backup systems (with the few minor exceptions noted earlier in this chapter).
4. Set an adequate purger RETAINCOUNT parameter on the backup systems (it must be the same on both).

Upon loss of the primary system, you must:

1. Issue a TAKEOVER command on both backup systems.
2. When the takeovers have completed successfully, examine the EMS event log on both backup systems for a 735 message to determine which system is missing audit records.
3. On the system with the **least** amount of audit records, issue a COPYAUDIT command specifying the name of the other backup system and its RDF control subvolume.
4. When the COPYAUDIT command has completed successfully, issue a second TAKEOVER command on that same system.
5. Initialize, configure, and start RDF on whichever system you want to be the primary in the new configuration.
6. Start application processing on the new primary system.

11 Subvolume-Level and File-Level Replication

By default, RDF provides volume-level protection, wherein changes to all audited files and tables on each protected primary system data volume are replicated to an associated backup system data volume.

RDF/IMP, IMPX, and ZLT also support subvolume-level and file-level replication. To use this capability, you supply INCLUDE and EXCLUDE clauses when configuring updaters to identify specific subvolumes and files you want either replicated or not replicated.

RDF/IMP, IMPX, and ZLT also allow you to be selective about what Enscribe files you want purged. For RDF to replicate Enscribe purger operations, you must configure the global RDF REPLICATEPURGE to ON. By itself, this means that RDF shall replicate all Enscribe purge operations. If you want selectivity in what purge operations you want replicated, you can then use INCLUDEPURGE and EXCLUDEPURGE clauses when you configure the updaters. Please note that to use INCLUDEPURGE and EXCLUDEPURGE, the RDF REPLICATEPURGE attribute must also be set to ON.



NOTE: This chapter specifically addresses the including and excluding of Enscribe and NonStop SQL/MP database objects. The same principles, however, also apply to NonStop SQL/MX database objects. INCLUDE and EXCLUDE clauses require the use of Guardian names. If you have an ANSI-named NonStop SQL/MX object that you want to include or exclude, you must first obtain the underlying Guardian name by using the MXGNAMES utility or the MXCI SHOWDDL command as described in Chapter 16 (page 323).

INCLUDE Clauses

INCLUDE clauses explicitly designate those subvolumes, files, and tables residing on a particular primary system data volume to be replicated. Changes to all other audited files and tables on the particular volume are ignored.

In this example, only changes to the audited files MYSUBVOL.MYFILE, MMTEST10.FILE1, and MMTEST10.FILE2 on \$DATA01 are replicated:

```
SET VOLUME CPUS 1:2
SET VOLUME IMAGEVOLUME $IMAGE
SET VOLUME PRIORITY 185
SET VOLUME PROCESS $MM01
SET VOLUME UPDATEVOLUME $DATA01
SET VOLUME INCLUDE MYSUBVOL.MYFILE
SET VOLUME INCLUDE MMTEST10.FILE1
SET VOLUME INCLUDE MMTEST10.FILE2
ADD VOLUME $DATA01
```

EXCLUDE Clauses

EXCLUDE clauses explicitly designate those subvolumes, files, and tables residing on a particular primary system data volume that you do **not** want replicated. All other audited files and tables on the particular volume are replicated.

In this example, changes to all audited files and tables on \$DATA01 are replicated, except MMTEST10.CONC0826:

```
SET VOLUME CPUS 1:2
SET VOLUME IMAGEVOLUME $IMAGE
SET VOLUME PRIORITY 185
SET VOLUME PROCESS $MM01
SET VOLUME UPDATEVOLUME $DATA01
SET VOLUME EXCLUDE MMTEST10.CONC0826
ADD VOLUME $DATA01
```

Wildcard Character (*)

The asterisk (*) can be used as a wildcard character in both subvolume and file names.

Within Subvolume Names

When used to designate subvolume names, the * must always be used as a suffix.

`su*v.fname`, `*.fname`, and `*.*`, for example, are **not** valid.

But `DB*.filename` **is** valid because the asterisk is used as a subvolume name suffix. In this case, changes made to all audited files and tables on all subvolumes whose name starts with DB on the protected data volume are replicated.

Within Filenames

When used by itself as a filename, the * designates all audited files and tables on the specified subvolume. When used as a suffix, the * designates all audited files and tables on the specified subvolume whose names start with the supplied pattern. If the * is **not** used by itself to represent all files, it must be used as a suffix. Embedded wildcard characters (such as `fil*nam`) are **not** valid.

INCLUDE/EXCLUDE and RDFCOM In-Memory Table

Recall that when you use the SET commands to set various attributes of an RDF object, the set commands store the values you set in an in-memory table. If you use INCLUDE and/or EXCLUDE lists when you configure an updater, these are also stored in the in-memory table too. This can make using the same INCLUDE and EXCLUDE lists for each volume very convenient because you only have to specify them for the first volume and they are carried over to each subsequent volume that you add for RDF protection. For example, consider the following:

```
SET VOLUME CPUS 1:2
SET VOLUME IMAGEVOLUME $IMAGE
SET VOLUME PRIORITY 185
SET VOLUME PROCESS $MM01
SET VOLUME UPDATEVOLUME $DATA01
SET VOLUME INCLUDE MYSUBVOL.MYFILE
SET VOLUME INCLUDE MMTEST10.FILE1
SET VOLUME INCLUDE MMTEST10.FILE2
ADD VOLUME $DATA01
```

```
SET VOLUME CPUS 1:2
SET VOLUME IMAGEVOLUME $IMAGE
SET VOLUME PRIORITY 185
SET VOLUME PROCESS $MM02
SET VOLUME UPDATEVOLUME $DATA02
ADD VOLUME $DATA01
```

With this set of configuration commands, both updaters have the same file-sets included.

If, however, the file-sets you want to INCLUDE or EXCLUDE differ from one volume to the next, then you must use the RESET VOLUME command after each ADD command in order to clear out the previously specified INCLUDE and EXCLUDE lists, as follows:

```
SET VOLUME CPUS 1:2
SET VOLUME IMAGEVOLUME $IMAGE
SET VOLUME PRIORITY 185
SET VOLUME PROCESS $MM01
SET VOLUME UPDATEVOLUME $DATA01
SET VOLUME INCLUDE MYSUBVOL.MYFILE
SET VOLUME INCLUDE MMTEST10.FILE1
SET VOLUME INCLUDE MMTEST10.FILE2
ADD VOLUME $DATA01

RESET VOLUME
```

```

SET VOLUME CPUS 1:2
SET VOLUME IMAGEVOLUME $IMAGE
SET VOLUME PRIORITY 185
SET VOLUME PROCESS $MM02
SET VOLUME UPDATEVOLUME $DATA02
SET VOLUME INCLUDE SBSUBVOL.MYFILE
SET VOLUME INCLUDE SBTEST10.FILE1
SET VOLUME INCLUDE SBTEST10.FILE2
ADD VOLUME $DATA02

```

```
RESET VOLUME
```

If you did not use the RESET VOLUME command above, then the INCLUDE lists for \$DATA01 and \$DATA02 are as follows:

```

$DATA01
    MYSUBVOL.MYFILE
    MMTEST10.FILE1
    MMTEST10.FILE2

$DATA02
    MYSUBVOL.MYFILE
    MMTEST10.FILE1
    MMTEST10.FILE2
    SBSUBVOL.MYFILE
    SBTEST10.FILE1
    SBTEST10.FILE2

```

INCLUDE and EXCLUDE Processing

You can specify a maximum of 100 INCLUDE and EXCLUDE parameters for each volume, in any combination. When you specify both INCLUDE and EXCLUDE clauses for a given volume, the clauses are processed hierarchically, with the INCLUDE clauses processed first and EXCLUDE clauses processed second.

INCLUDEPURGE and EXCLUDEPURGE

These updater attributes work exactly the same as for INCLUDE and EXCLUDE, with the exact same wildcard functionality, and with the exact same performance ramifications.

There is one additional consideration. The total number of INCLUDE, EXCLUDE, INCLUDEPURGE, and EXCLUDEPURGE clauses that you can have for one updater is 100. This means, for example, that you can have 25 for each of these clauses, but not one more. If you have 50 INCLUDEs and 50 EXCLUDEs, then you cannot add any INCLUDEPURGE and EXCLUDEPURGE clauses for the updater. Please note that the aggregate for the updater is 100 for all four types. If you have no INCLUDEs and no EXCLUDEs, then you can have up to 100 INCLUDEPURGE and EXCLUDEPURGE clauses - for example 80 INCLUDEPURGE and 20 EXCLUDEPURGE clauses. Alternatively, you could have 100 EXCLUDEPURGE clauses, but note that in this case you cannot have any INCLUDE, EXCLUDE, and EXCLUDEPURGE clauses.

Observe the following example.

```

SET VOLUME CPUS 1:2
SET VOLUME IMAGEVOLUME $IMAGE
SET VOLUME PRIORITY 185
SET VOLUME PROCESS $MM01
SET VOLUME UPDATEVOLUME $DATA01
SET VOLUME INCLUDE MMTEST10.*
SET VOLUME INCLUDEPURGE MMTEST.FILE*
SET VOLUME EXCLUDEPURGE MMTEST.FILE10

ADD VOLUME $DATA01

```

In the above example, the INCLUDE clause specifies that only audited files in \$DATA01.MMTEST10 are to be replicated. The INCLUDEPURGE clause specifies that every Enscribe purge operation involving files in this same subvolume are to be replicated, but the EXCLUDEPURGE clause specifies that any purge operations involving the file \$DATA01.MMTEST10.FILE10 are NOT to be replicated.

Error Checking

Extensive checking is done when the subvolume and file names are parsed, and invalid names cause errors. The logic of a series of INCLUDE and EXCLUDE clauses, however, is not checked. For example, information is not regarded as an error, even though it makes no sense because everything will be filtered out:

```
SET VOLUME INCLUDE MMTEST10.*
SET VOLUME EXCLUDE MMTEST10.*
```

Performance Ramifications

The extractor processes all INCLUDE and EXCLUDE clauses. If the extractor reads an audit record associated with a file or table **not** specified in an INCLUDE clause, it discards the record. Similarly, if the extractor reads an audit record associated with a file or table specified in an EXCLUDE clause, it discards the record.

With volume-level replication, the extractor needs to test only the volume name to determine if a record should be sent to the backup system. With subvolume- and file-level replication, however, the extractor must also test the subvolume name and filename. Hence there is more work to do with subvolume- and file-level replication. If you use large numbers of INCLUDE and EXCLUDE clauses for each volume, the extractor might have to evaluate the subvolume name and filename against multiple lists, which could lead to increased CPU usage by the extractor and lower extractor performance than with simple volume-level replication. Therefore, you should be careful about how many INCLUDE and EXCLUDE clauses you specify for each volume. The use of wildcard characters in subvolume names and filenames can help considerably. For example, to replicate all of the files within all subvolumes whose names begin with the letters DB, you can do so with a single INCLUDE clause:

```
INCLUDE DB*.*
```

Summary Examples

Consider this updater configuration example, where the primary system is \PRIMARY and the backup system is \BACKUP:

```
SET VOLUME CPUS 1:2
SET VOLUME IMAGEVOLUME $IMAGE
SET VOLUME PRIORITY 185
SET VOLUME PROCESS $MM01
SET VOLUME UPDATEVOLUME $DATA01
ADD VOLUME $DATA01
```

In the above example, all audited files and tables on \PRIMARY.\$DATA01 are replicated to \BACKUP.\$DATA01.

Now consider this updater configuration example:

```
SET VOLUME CPUS 1:2
SET VOLUME IMAGEVOLUME $IMAGE
SET VOLUME PRIORITY 185
SET VOLUME PROCESS $MM01
SET VOLUME UPDATEVOLUME $DATA01
SET VOLUME INCLUDE MMTEST10.*
SET VOLUME EXCLUDE MMTEST10.CONC0826
SET VOLUME INCLUDE DATA*.*
SET VOLUME EXCLUDE DATA*.C*
```

```
SET VOLUME INCLUDEPURGE RRVOL*.*  
SET VOLUME EXCLUDEPURGE RRTYP*.*
```

There is still one updater responsible for replicating changes from \$DATA01 on the primary system to \$DATA01 on the backup system, but the INCLUDE and EXCLUDE clauses explicitly identify which subvolumes and files on \PRIMARY.DATA01 are to be replicated (all audited files and tables in the subvolumes MMTEST10, DATA*, and DB* are replicated, except MMTEST10.CONC0826 and any files or tables in DATA* whose names start with "C").

12 Subvolume Name Mapping

RDF allows users to replicate data from primary system source subvolumes to differently named destination subvolumes on the backup system. However, the recommended configuration is still one-to-one mapping between source subvolumes on the primary system and their corresponding destination subvolumes on the backup system. One-to-one mapping ensures that each partition of a partitioned file or table is mapped to the correct backup subvolume. The use of identically named primary and backup subvolume names on both systems prevents naming conflicts after a takeover operation.

The subvolume name mapping feature should be used under special conditions where the user purposely wants to replicate data to a differently named subvolume based on business requirements. When you use differently named subvolumes on the primary and backup system, you must change all subvolume references before the primary system's applications are started on the backup system.

This chapter addresses these topics:

- “Creating a Mapfile to Define the Rules for Subvolume Name Mapping” (page 285)
- “Rules for Creating Mapfile Mapping Strings” (page 285)
- “How an Updater Manages Filename Collisions” (page 286)
- “Creating a Maplog to Log Subvolume Name Mapping” (page 287)
- “Adding a Mapfile and Maplog to an Updater's Configuration Record” (page 288)
- “Managing Subvolume Name Mapping for Partitioned Files” (page 288)

For more information about the problems associated with using differently named subvolumes, see “Managing Subvolume Name Mapping for Partitioned Files” (page 288).

Creating a Mapfile to Define the Rules for Subvolume Name Mapping

You define subvolume name mapping in a mapfile. The mapfile is an EDIT file that contains the supported subvolume mapping strings, which constitute the mapping rules.

The mapfile must reside on the backup system so that it is accessible if and when the primary system is not accessible. Each mapfile can be used by one or more updaters.

The subvolume mapping strings in a mapfile must use the format:

```
MAP NAMES source-subvol-set.* TO destination-subvol-set.*
```

Where:

MAP, NAMES, TO

Are keywords. If any of these keywords is not present in a mapping string, an error is logged.

*source-subvol-set.**

Is the source subvolume fileset for which the mapping rule is applied.

*destination-subvol-set.**

Is the destination subvolume fileset into which the changes corresponding to the files from the source subvolume fileset are replicated.

Rules for Creating Mapfile Mapping Strings

These rules apply to the content and structure of mapping strings inside a mapfile:

- A mapfile must contain one or more mapping strings or be empty.
- Only one mapping string is allowed on each line of the mapfile.
- The mapfile can also contain blank lines and comment lines. A comment line must begin with the `|` character.
- Node names are not allowed in mapping strings.

- Volume names are not allowed in mapping strings. If the updater detects a \$ character, it logs an error.
- Reserved names are not allowed in mapping strings. See the examples of invalid mapping strings listed below.
- When two or more mapping rules are present in a mapfile, the rule listed first always takes precedence if it fits. For example, assume these two mapping strings are present:

```
MAP NAMES SUBVOL1.* TO SUBVOL2.*
MAP NAMES SUBVOL*.* TO SUBVOL3.*
```

The incoming source file is from subvolume SUBVOL1 on the primary system, its changes are replicated to the destination subvolume SUBVOL2 on the backup system instead of SUBVOL3. If the first mapping rule cannot be applied, a subsequent mapping rule that fits will be applied, as when changes to the incoming source file from the subvolume SUBVOL4 on the primary system are replicated to SUBVOL3 on the backup system.

- The destination subvolume set must not have the same name as a different source subvolume set. If they do, the updater process will fail at run-time. Consider the following example:

```
MAP NAMES TEST1.* TO TEST2.*
MAP NAMES TEST2.* TO TEST3.*
```

In this example, TEST2.* is used for both a source subvolume and a destination subvolume.

An updater logs errors whenever it detects invalid mapping string content or format. For information about mapfile-related RDF events and RDFCOM error messages, see “RDF Messages” (page 365) and “RDFCOM Messages” (page 413).

Examples of valid mapping strings include:

```
MAP NAMES HISSTUFF.* TO TEST10.*
MAP NAMES HERSTUFF.* TO TEST11.*
MAP NAMES THEIR*.* TO TEST12.*
```

Examples of invalid mapping strings, including disallowed reserved words, are:

```
MAP NAMES TEST*.* TO TEST*.*
MAP NAMES TEST1.* TO TEST*.*
MAP NAMES TEST1 TO TEST2
MAP NAMES $DATA01.TEST.* TO $DATA02.TEST1.*
MAP NAMES TEST1.* TO TEST2
MAP NAMES TEST1 TO TEST2.*
MAP NAMES TEST1.FILE1 TO TEST2.FILE1
MAP NAMES ZTMFAT.* TO TEST.*
MAP NAMES TEST.* TO ZTMFAT.*
MAP NAMES ZYS01.* TO TEST.*
MAP NAMES TEST.* TO ZYS01.*
MAP NAMES X01.* TO TEST.*
MAP NAMES Y01.* TO TEST.*
MAP NAMES Z01.* TO TEST.*
```

Once a mapfile has been created, these rules govern its use:

- You cannot modify the mapfile's path while RDF is running.
- Changes made to an existing mapfile do not take effect until the updater is stopped and restarted.
- You cannot alter the mapfile path from the backup system through RDFCOM when the primary system is accessible.

How an Updater Manages Filename Collisions

If you inadvertently map two subvolumes on the primary system to the same subvolume on the backup system for an updater, the updater detects the filename collision, logs EMS event 927, and abends. This approach prevents possible data corruption or disk failure.

To illustrate how a filename collision might occur, assume that the mapping string for the updater that replicates from \$DATA01 on the primary system to \$DATA01 on the backup system is:

```
MAP NAMES TEST1.* TO TEST2.*
```

Assume that the file \$DATA01.TEST1.FILE on the primary system is modified. RDF applies the mapping rule on this file and replicates its changes to the file \$DATA01.TEST2.FILE on the backup system.

Next, the file \$DATA01.TEST2.FILE on the primary system is modified. RDF determines that the mapping rule does not apply. If RDF had to replicate the changes, they would be replicated to the file \$DATA01.TEST2.FILE on the backup system. If this situation occurred, changes to the files \$DATA01.TEST1.FILE and \$DATA01.TEST2.FILE on the primary system would be replicated to the same file, \$DATA01.TEST2.FILE, on the backup system. Instead, RDF detects the filename collision, logs error 927, and abends.

The updater might not be able to prevent filename collisions when it:

- Closes files on the backup system because their corresponding source files on the primary system have not been modified for at least ten minutes
- Encounters a restart condition (for example, file system error 122)
- Undergoes a process takeover
- Is stopped with a user-supplied STOP RDF/UPDATE command
- Is stopped for other reasons

If the updater is restarted under any of these circumstances, it cannot detect a filename collision until and unless the files from both subvolumes on the primary system that are mapped to the same subvolume on the backup system have both been modified within ten minutes.

Creating a Maplog to Log Subvolume Name Mapping

Maplog is an optional EDIT file into which the updater logs source filenames from the primary system and their mapped destination filenames on the backup system. The updater logs the entry of the data file only once until the time that the data file is open on the backup system. However, if the data file is closed and reopened on the backup system, the updater logs multiple entries for the same data file.

If the maplog file already exists at the cold start, it will be emptied with a Purgedata operation. If the maplog does not exist, the ADD VOLUME and ALTER VOLUME MAPLOG commands will create an empty maplog file on the backup system.

Use the RDFCOM SET command to specify the maplog filename and path in the updater's configuration record, as described in “Adding a Mapfile and Maplog to an Updater's Configuration Record”. You can turn off logging to the maplog by altering the maplog to none.



NOTE: The updater closes files on the backup system when their corresponding source files on the primary system have not been modified for at least ten minutes. When this occurs, the updater will also forget the filename collision information described in “How an Updater Manages Filename Collisions”.

Use RDFCOM ALTER to turn off maplog logging. For example:

```
ALTER VOLUME $DATA01 MAPLOG
```

In this example, \$DATA01 is the name of the volume on the primary system, and MAPLOG is the keyword. Because MAPLOG is followed by end of line, it indicates that the maplog file on the backup system be turned off.

You can also alter the maplog file to a different path. For example:

```
ALTER VOLUME $DATA01 MAPLOG $DATA05.NAPCONFIG.MAPLOG2
```

If a maplog is not properly constructed or formatted, the updater generates errors. For information about maplog-related RDF event messages and RDFCOM error messages, see “RDF Messages” (page 365) and “RDFCOM Messages” (page 413).

Adding a Mapfile and Maplog to an Updater's Configuration Record

Use the RDFCOM SET command to store the names and paths for an updater's mapfile and maplog into the updater's configuration record. For example:

```
RESET VOLUME
SET VOLUME ATINDEX          0
SET VOLUME CPUS             2:1
SET VOLUME PRIORITY         175
SET VOLUME PROCESS           $WU01
SET VOLUME UPDATEVOLUME     $DATA04
SET VOLUME IMAGEVOLUME      $DATA01
SET VOLUME MAPFILE           $data05.napconfig.mapfile
SET VOLUME MAPLOG            $data05.napconfig.maplog
ADD VOLUME                   $DATA01
```

The updater's configuration record identifies the primary system source volume (\$DATA01), the backup system destination volume to which it is mapped (\$DATA04), and the locations of the updater's mapfile and maplog on the backup system. This mapfile and maplog are applicable only to that updater. The mapfile and maplog pathnames cannot contain a node name.

You turn maplog logging off by specifying:

```
ALTER VOLUME $DATA01 MAPLOG
```

After the mapfile and maplog information has been stored in the updater's configuration record, RDFCOM parses the mapping strings specified in the mapfile, logs any errors, and creates an empty maplog if one does not exist.

When the updater starts in response to an RDFCOM START RDF/UPDATE command, it:

- Checks that the mapfile is not edited or modified by the user since the updater was last stopped.
- Compares the last modification timestamp and CRVSN number of the mapfile with those stored in its configuration record. If they match, the updater reads all the mapping strings from the mapfile and skips their validation. If they do not match, the updater performs validation of all the mapping strings and generates the appropriate EMS events in response to errors.
- Reads the image records and applies the mapping rules to them before applying them to the backup system database.
- If a maplog has been specified, the updater logs the source and destination filename pairs in the maplog.
- Once started, the updater will not read modifications made to the mapfile until the updater has been stopped and restarted or until a process takeover occurs.

Managing Subvolume Name Mapping for Partitioned Files

Problems can occur when you map a partitioned file on the primary system to a differently named subvolume on the backup system. When a file on the primary system is partitioned across volumes, updater mapping rules can cause the file to be replicated to partitions in separate subvolumes on the backup system. If this situation occurs, the partitions can become corrupted, and the updater cannot detect it. When a user application on the backup system attempts to open both partitioned files, it reports an error.

To illustrate this problem scenario, assume these circumstances:

- You create an audited, partitioned, key-sequenced file (Enscribe, SQL/MP, or SQL/MX) on the primary system where the primary and secondary partitions are on the same subvolume at \$DATA01.SVOL.FILE and \$DATA02.SVOL.FILE.
- One updater replicates the changes for the primary partition \$DATA01.SVOL.FILE on the primary system to \$DATA11.SVOL1.FILE on the backup system using this mapping string:
MAP NAMES SVOL.* TO SVOL1.*
- A second updater replicates the changes for the secondary partition \$DATA02.SVOL.FILE on the primary system to \$DATA22.SVOL2.FILE on the backup system by using this mapping string:MAP NAMES SVOL.* TO SVOL2.*

As a result of these mapping rules, both partitions on the backup system are created in the same subvolume, SVOL1. When the second updater applies an audit to the secondary partition, \$DATA22.SVOL2.FILE, it reports an error 11 because the partition \$DATA22.SVOL2.FILE does not exist.

If you run FUP COPY on the primary partition file \$DATA02.SVOL1.FILE on the backup system, FUP reports file-system error 3 or 72 when it attempts to open the secondary partition file \$DATA22.SVOL2.FILE. FUP displays the contents of the primary partition file but not the contents of the secondary partition file.

To avoid this problem, when you map a subvolume on the primary system to a differently named subvolume on the backup system, always ensure that the mapping rules do not affect partitioned files.

13 Auxiliary Audit Trails

In addition to the Master Audit Trail (MAT), RDF/IMPX and ZLT support protection of up to 15 auxiliary audit trails.

If you want to protect data volumes associated with an auxiliary audit trail, you must configure an auxiliary extractor and an auxiliary receiver for that trail. Thus, for each auxiliary audit trail, there will be one auxiliary extractor-receiver pair.

Auxiliary Extractor

An auxiliary extractor can only be configured to a single auxiliary audit trail. Such an extractor will read only the designated auxiliary audit trail; it will never read any part of the MAT or any other auxiliary audit trail. When reading the audit trail, it looks for any audit records associated with the pool of volumes being protected by RDF (normal filtering logic). All such records are sent to the backup system in accordance with standard RDF architectural behavior. Each auxiliary extractor is associated with a corresponding auxiliary receiver through the user-specified configuration. The auxiliary extractor communicates only with that particular auxiliary receiver, and never sends data to the master receiver or any other auxiliary receiver.

Auxiliary Receiver

An auxiliary receiver is associated with a specific auxiliary extractor. Because the auxiliary extractor sends audit records associated only with its particular auxiliary audit trail, the corresponding auxiliary receiver writes audit records to the image trails of updaters associated only with volumes configured to the particular auxiliary audit trail.

For example, assume that \$DATA1 on the primary system is configured as a data volume in auxiliary audit trail AUX01, and an auxiliary extractor is configured for AUX01. The auxiliary extractor sends all audit records for \$DATA1 to a corresponding auxiliary receiver on the backup system. The receiver writes the data to an image trail that is, in turn, read and processed by an updater responsible for replicating database changes for \$DATA1.

Configuring Extractors and Receivers

The SET EXTRACTOR and SET RECEIVER commands include this optional syntax:

```
ATINDEX atindex
```

where *atindex* is an integer value corresponding to the audit trail number of the MAT (0) or an auxiliary audit trail (1 through 15) on the primary system. The default is 0.

Because 0 is reserved for the MAT, the extractor and receiver with an *atindex* value of 0 are the master extractor and receiver. The extractors and receivers with *atindex* values of 1 through 15 must protect volumes associated with configured auxiliary audit trails AUX01 through AUX15, respectively.

A master extractor and receiver are required, because TMF control records are required on the backup system in the event of an RDF takeover operation or a stop-update-to-time operation. Auxiliary extractors and receivers are optional.

For each extractor, there must be a corresponding receiver with the same *atindex* value.

Error conditions

- It is an error **not** to have a master extractor (*atindex* value of 0).
- It is an error **not** to have a master receiver (*atindex* value of 0).
- It is an error if you do not have an auxiliary extractor and receiver with the same *atindex* value. That is, if you have an auxiliary extractor with an *atindex* value of 1, you must have an auxiliary receiver with an *atindex* value of 1.

- It is an error if the specified *atindex* does not correspond to a valid index of a configured auxiliary audit trail. That is, if you have configured two TMF auxiliary audit trails with the respective audit trail numbers of 1 and 2, you cannot configure an auxiliary extractor with an *atindex* value of 3.
- It is an error to specify two extractors or two receivers with the same *atindex* value.

Configuring Image Trails

Each image trail must be exclusively managed by a single receiver process, and all audit records stored in an image trail must come from the same primary system audit trail. Therefore, if your RDF environment is to protect primary system data volumes that are configured to auxiliary audit trails, you must use this command to associate each image trail with the appropriate receiver:

```
SET IMAGETRAIL ATINDEX atindex
```

where *atindex* is an integer value from 0 through 15 specifying which receiver manages the image trail. 0 specifies the receiver associated with the MAT; 1 through 15 specifies the receivers associated with auxiliary audit trails AUX01 through AUX15, respectively.

The default value is 0.

After the SET IMAGETRAIL ATINDEX command, you must issue an ADD IMAGETRAIL command.

Configuring Updaters

The SET VOLUME command includes this optional syntax:

```
ATINDEX atindex
```

where *atindex* is an integer value from 0 through 15 specifying the audit trail to which that data volume is mapped on the primary system. 0 specifies the MAT, and the data volume on the primary system must be mapped to the MAT. 1 through 15 specifies auxiliary audit trail AUX01 through AUX15, respectively, and the data volume on the primary system must be mapped to the designated auxiliary audit trail.

The default value is 0.



NOTE: Data volumes on the backup system need not be mapped to the same audit trail as on the primary system. If a data volume on the primary system is mapped to the MAT, for example, the corresponding updater volume on the backup system can be mapped to an auxiliary audit trail.

Error Conditions

- It is an error if the specified image trail *atindex* does **not** map to a receiver with the same *atindex*.
- It is an error if the updater's *atindex* does **not** equal the same audit trail index to which the data volume on the primary system is mapped.
- It is an error if the *atindex* of the updater and its image trail are **not** the same.

Ramifications for STOP TMF, Stop-Update-to-Time, and SQL Shared Access DDL Ops

Under normal circumstances, auxiliary extractors always run ahead of the master extractor. Abnormal situations, such as CPU failures, can cause auxiliary extractors to fall behind the master extractor.

If an auxiliary extractor is running behind the master extractor when you issue a STOP TMF command, the TMF shutdown operation cannot complete until the auxiliary extractor has caught

up with the master extractor. When that happens, RDF (or more specifically, the master receiver process) might falsely appear to be hung. As soon as the auxiliary extractor has caught up, however, the TMF shutdown operation proceeds. The same can happen to the updaters when a stop-update-to-time or a SQL shared access DDL operation enters the RDF subsystem, wherein the updaters configured to an auxiliary audit trail may take a long time to shutdown if the auxiliary extractor has fallen behind. When that extractor finally catches up, the affected updaters are able to shutdown.

Takeover Ramifications

For a non-RDF/ZLT configuration, if an auxiliary extractor is running behind the master extractor when you issue a TAKEOVER command, a transaction just committed on the primary system (and whose commit record was received by the master receiver) could be backed out on the backup system.

This could happen under these circumstances:

- In addition to the MAT, you have configured RDF to protect one or more auxiliary audit trails.
- When the primary system fails, an auxiliary extractor is running behind the master extractor. For example, the master receiver has received the commit record associated with a particular transaction, but the auxiliary receiver is missing audit data for that same transaction.
- A committed transaction (whose commit record was received by the master receiver just before the primary system failure) updated only a volume associated with the MAT.

Usage of Master and Auxiliary Audit Trails

A master extractor must always be associated with the MAT even if no data volumes are configured to the MAT. A master extractor is required because the MAT contains audit records that preserve TMF control information required by RDF on the backup system, and this control information is not stored in any auxiliary audit trail.

Using Expand Multi-CPU Paths

The use of Expand with ATM, Fast Ethernet, or Servenet provides considerable bandwidth, and it is often sufficient to have a single Expand path driven out of a single processor.

If your RDF configuration is replicating auxiliary audit trails, however, the total amount of audit data to be sent from the primary system to the backup system could be more than a single Expand path can handle. If that is the case, you should use the Expand multi-CPU path feature.

Expand multi-CPU paths enable you to spread the communications load over multiple processors by connecting multiple Expand line-handler processes, each in a separate processor, between two adjacent nodes. In an RDF environment, you would use this feature to establish dedicated paths for the master extractor-receiver pair and multiple auxiliary extractor-receiver pairs.

Suppose you will be configuring three extractor-receiver pairs: one for the MAT and one each for auxiliary audit trails AUX01 and AUX02. Suppose further that both your primary and backup systems have ten processors. For each Expand multi-CPU path, you place the matching Expand line-handlers in the same processor on both systems.

To set up our three paths in processors 3, 5, and 7, for example, you would put matching Expand line-handlers in processor 3 on both systems, in processor 5 on both systems, and in processor 7 on both systems. Within RDF you would then configure processor 3 as the primary CPU for the master extractor and receiver, processor 5 as the primary CPU for the AUX01 extractor and receiver, and processor 7 as the primary CPU for the AUX02 extractor and receiver. Thereafter all messages between the master extractor and receiver will go through the path in processor 3 on both systems, all messages between the AUX01 extractor and receiver will go through the path in processor 5 on both systems, and all messages between the AUX02 extractor and receiver will go through the path in processor 7 on both systems.

For more information about Expand multi-CPU paths, see the *Expand Configuration and Management Manual*.

14 Network Transactions

The RDF/IMPX and RDF/ZLT products are able to guarantee backup database consistency for transactions that update data residing on more than one RDF primary system. RDF/IMPX and RDF/ZLT can map the volumes being protected to both the MAT and auxiliary audit trails.



NOTE: Network transaction processing is currently not supported in configurations that use the triple contingency feature. You must use RDF/IMPX or RDF/ZLT to protect all databases open to network transactions.

Without planning for network transaction support, the RDF product cannot guarantee database consistency among the associated backup systems following the failure of one of the primary systems.

Support for network transactions requires two major external changes.

1. If you have a distributed database spread over several RDF primary systems, you must configure an **RDF network** wherein each primary system residing on its own, mutually exclusive node has its own RDF subsystem that replicates its local data to its own backup system. This is referred to as an RDF network because each RDF subsystem knows the names of the systems protected by all other RDF subsystems in the network. One, and only one, RDF subsystem within the network is configured as the **network master**.
2. If you lose one or more RDF primary systems in the RDF network, you must execute RDF takeover operations on all backup systems in the network.

For those primary systems still alive, you must first quiesce all application activity (both local and remote) so that no further database updates are being performed, and then bring down the communication lines between the primary and backup systems before initiating the takeover.

With network transaction support, you must now be more careful when creating Enscribe files that have alternate key files. Specifically, when you create an Enscribe file with an altkey file you must ensure that **both** files reside on the same primary system and that **both** are protected by the same RDF subsystem. If you do not do so, then the updater responsible for creating the file on the backup system will not create the file; rather, it will report an error 740 when it determines that the altkey file is not protected by its RDF subsystem.

For RDF/ZLT configurations, all nodes that participate in a network transaction need to be configured in the RDF network for RDF/ZLT protection.

Configuration Changes

To support network transactions, several configuration attributes and a configuration record have been added to the RDF configuration file.

NETWORK Attribute

This attribute, located in the RDF configuration record, specifies whether or not you are configuring an RDF network.

To set this attribute, use this RDFCOM command:

```
SET RDF NETWORK {ON | OFF}
```

When this attribute is set to OFF (the default value), RDF takeover operations execute just as they have in the past, and database consistency is **not** guaranteed for transactions that spanned more than one primary system.

When this attribute is set to ON, the RDF subsystem can guarantee backup database consistency across multiple RDF systems configured within an RDF network.

NETWORKMASTER Attribute

This attribute, located in the RDF configuration record, specifies whether or not the particular system is the master of the RDF network. Each RDF network has one, and only one, network master.

To set this attribute, use this RDFCOM command:

```
SET RDF NETWORKMASTER {ON | OFF}
```

When this attribute is set to OFF (the default value), the particular system is not the network master.

When this attribute is set to ON, the particular system is the network master of the RDF network. If this attribute is set to ON, the NETWORK attribute must also be set to ON.

Network Configuration Record

This configuration record contains some or all of these network attributes:

PRIMARYSYSTEM *system-name*

BACKUPSYSTEM *system-name*

REMOTECONTROLSUBVOL *subvolume-name*

PNETTXVOLUME *volume-name*

If you are configuring the network master RDF subsystem, you must include a network configuration record for every RDF subsystem in the RDF network (including the network master itself). Each of those records must include these attributes:

PRIMARYSYSTEM <i>system-name</i>	Name of the primary system.
BACKUPSYSTEM <i>system-name</i>	Name of the associated backup system.
REMOTECONTROLSUBVOL <i>subvolume-name</i>	Name of the primary system's remote control subvolume.
PNETTXVOLUME <i>volume-name</i>	Name of the primary system volume on which the RDF subsystem stores an audited network synchronization file.

If you are configuring a non network master RDF subsystem, you must include a single network configuration record containing these attributes:

PRIMARYSYSTEM <i>system-name</i>	Name of the network master's primary system.
BACKUPSYSTEM <i>system-name</i>	Name of the network master's backup system.
REMOTECONTROLSUBVOL <i>subvolume-name</i>	Name of the network master's remote control subvolume.

Thus, within its configuration file, the network master has all necessary information about every system in the RDF network (whereas the other systems have only a pointer enabling them to obtain information about other systems in the network).

PRIMARYSYSTEM Network Attribute

This is the name of a primary system. It is set by this RDFCOM command:

```
SET NETWORK PRIMARYSYSTEM system-name
```

There is no default value. Each primary system within an RDF network must be unique within the network. An RDF network cannot contain two or more RDF subsystems with the same primary system (that is, it cannot contain RDF subsystems for \A to \B and \A to \C).

BACKUPSYSTEM Network Attribute

This is the name of the backup system associated with the specified primary system. It is set by this RDFCOM command:

```
SET NETWORK BACKUPSYSTEM system-name
```

There is no default value.

REMOTECONTROLSUBVOL (RCSV) Network Attribute

The remote control subvolume (RCSV) is the name of the control subvolume used by the RDF subsystem configured for the specified primary and backup systems. It is set by this RDFCOM command.

```
SET NETWORK REMOTECONTROLSUBVOL subvolume-name
```

There is no default value.

PNETTXVOLUME Network Attribute

You only use this attribute when configuring the network master. On the master you must include this attribute within every network configuration record (including the one for the master itself).

This attribute specifies the name of the volume on the particular primary system where the RDF network master stores an audited network-synchronization file. The specified volume must be a data volume protected by the RDF subsystem on the primary system and be configured to the MAT. The PNETTXVOLUME volume is set by this RDFCOM command.

```
SET NETWORK PNETTXVOLUME volume-name
```

There is no default value.

Adding the Network Record

When you have finished setting the attributes of a network record for a given RDF subsystem, you add that information to your current configuration file with this RDFCOM command.

```
ADD NETWORK
```

RDF Network Synchronizer (RDFNET) Process

RDF/IMPX and RDF/ZLT include an RDF executable process, the RDFNET process, that can only be configured within a network master RDF subsystem (and can therefore only be started on the network master's primary system).

This process provides a synchronization point within the image trails of all backup systems in an RDF network. The process does that by updating an audited file named ZRDFNETX on the primary system of each RDF subsystem in the RDF network. The overhead of this process should be transparent because the RDFNET process only starts a single transaction every 15 seconds and only executes a single update against the ZRDFNETX file on the primary system of each RDF subsystem in the RDF network.

The fully-qualified name of the ZRDFNETX file for each system is:

```
$volume-name.subvolume-name.ZRDFNETX
```

where *volume-name* is the configured PNETTXVOLUME network attribute and *subvolume-name* is the configured REMOTECONTROLSUBVOLUME network attribute.

RDF Network Control Files

These control files exist in the Master Image Trail (MIT) subvolume of all RDF subsystems that are configured for replication of network transactions: ZRDFLCMT, ZRDFLCM2, and ZNETUNDO. Additionally, the network master has three more files: ZRDFNMTX, ZRDFNMT2, ZRDFNMT3. These files contain internal information that RDF needs to execute takeover operations involving an RDF network correctly. The files are empty until you actually initiate a takeover operation on a backup system within an RDF network.

Normal RDF Processing Within a Network Environment

Each RDF subsystem within an RDF network conducts its processing individually, as though it were not involved in an RDF network. That is, for a given RDF subsystem, the extractors read

the MAT and auxiliary audit trails and send data to the receivers. The updaters read their data from their image trails and apply it to their UpdateVolumes. During normal processing, no RDF subsystem (except the RDFNET process within the network master primary system) interacts with any other RDF subsystem in the RDF network. Therefore, the performance of an individual RDF subsystem is unaffected by its inclusion within an RDF network.

RDF Takeovers Within a Network Environment

With RDF/ZLT, no committed data from any primary system in the RDF network is lost. The discussions that follow regarding loss of data in a network takeover only apply to non-RDF/ZLT environments.

If you have configured an RDF network and must initiate a takeover on a backup system in the network, then you must execute a takeover on **all** the backup systems in the network. You do that by issuing an RDFCOM TAKEOVER command on each individual backup system. When a takeover occurs within an RDF network, each subsystem's takeover operation consists of three phases of operation:

1. A local undo phase
2. A file undo phase
3. A network undo phase

Takeover Phase 1 – Local Undo

This phase is identical to a normal RDF takeover (one that is totally unrelated to an RDF network). It consists of determining what transaction data has already been applied to the backup database but whose outcomes are unknown. Once the transactions have been identified, all updates associated with them are undone. The purger process determines what transactions must be undone and it writes the list into the ZTXUNDO file in the MIT.

For example, suppose you began a transaction on your primary system, you executed ten updates, and you committed the transaction, but the extractor process was only able to transmit the first five updates to the backup system before being terminated by an unplanned outage. In such a case, the RDF subsystem recognizes it is missing data for the particular transaction (because it does not know how the transaction ended), and it undoes the five updates it had previously applied to the backup database.

In summary, phase 1 of a takeover operation undoes data associated with transactions whose complete data did not make it to the backup system at the time the primary system failed.

Takeover Phase 2 – File Undo

This undo phase only gets executed if volumes went down on the primary system, transactions were aborted, and the volumes were never reenabled on the primary system before the primary system was lost. In that situation, RDF determines what Backout could not undo on the primary system, and the Phase 2 File Undo operation performs this type of undo. Even with the RDF/ZLT product, the File Undo operation performs this type of undo.

Takeover Phase 3 – Network Undo

Phase three determines if network transaction data is missing from any of the backup systems in the RDF network, and marks those transactions to be undone on all of the systems. For example, suppose you began a network transaction, updated tables on ten different systems, and then committed the transaction. Now suppose that nine of the ten systems were able to transmit their updates and commit records to their backup systems, but the tenth primary system went down before its extractor was able to do the same. Phase three determines that the particular transaction involved all 10 databases, that one of the backup databases is missing audit data for that transaction, and identifies the transaction as one that must be undone on the other nine systems

(it is undone during phase 1 on the tenth system). All of the updaters then look for audit data associated with the transaction, and undo it.

The purger of the network master determines what network transactions are incomplete across the different backup systems, and it produces the master network undo list. Each purger then uses this master list to ascertain the transaction data that must be undone on its backup database. For example, if a network transaction involved only four of the ten primary systems in an RDF network, then that transaction only needs to be undone on the backup databases where that data was replicated. Because the other systems were not involved, the transaction does not need to be listed there. The list of network transactions that need to be undone on a specific system resides in its ZNETUNDO file.

Takeover Phase 3 Performance

The speed with which a takeover completes for an entire RDF network varies based on the number of systems in the network and how far any system had fallen behind when the takeover was initiated.

For example, if you have three systems in your RDF network, and all extractors on all three systems were keeping up with audit generation on their systems, and then one system fails, the takeover operations might only take a modest number of additional seconds to complete phase 3 takeover processing.

In contrast, if you have three systems in your RDF network, and one extractor had fallen 60 minutes behind at the time its system went down, then phase 3 takeover processing on the other two systems will take many more seconds to complete. The reason for this is that phase 3 processing on the two systems that were not behind will have to go through 60 minutes of data to determine what must be undone due to data missing on the system that had fallen behind.

A variation of the first example is that no extractors have fallen behind, but you have 25 systems in your RDF network. In such a case, phase 3 processing might take many additional seconds because data must be checked for so many different systems in order to determine what network data might be missing from the various systems in the RDF network.

Communication Failures During Phase 3 Takeover Processing

If one RDF subsystem is unable to reach the backup system of another RDF subsystem during phase 3 processing, phase 3 processing stalls until the communication line comes back up. This can lengthen the overall duration of takeover operations on all backup systems. Should this type of stall occur, the RDF subsystem issues an event message alerting operators to the situation.

Takeover Delays and Purger Restarts

During phase 3 purger work, the network master needs information from the other purger processes in the RDF network, and, during the latter part of phase 3 processing, the non-network master purgers need information from the purger of the network master. When a purger process is waiting for information from another purger, it waits for up to 60 seconds, during which time it does not respond to certain requests (such as STATUS RDF). After a purger has waited 60 seconds, it quits the operation and restarts. This allows the purger to read the \$RECEIVE file, respond to messages that have been waiting for replies, and then retry phase 3 processing.

Takeover Restartability

As has always been the case, the RDFCOM TAKEOVER command is restartable. Therefore, if a takeover operation terminates prematurely for any reason on any system in an RDF network, it can be restarted.

Takeover and File Recovery

When a takeover operation completes in an RDF network environment, the purger logs two events: one reports a safe MAT position (indicating that all committed data up to that location was successfully applied to the backup database), and the second (888 or 858) reports whether or not a File Recovery position is available for use on the primary system. The RDF event 888 reports that a File Recovery is available and it includes the exact sno and RBA to be used for a File Recovery operation on the primary system. If, however, “kept-commits” have been encountered during phase 2 processing, a File Recovery position is not available; this is reported in RDF event 858. This last situation will never occur in an RDF/ZLT environment because a File Recovery position is always available with RDF/ZLT.

If an RDF event 888 is reported, then the specified File Recovery position is based on both phase 1 and phase 3 processing. Each system logs its own File Recovery position. While that position can differ from one backup system to the next, the logged position for any single system is correct. If you supply the returned File Recovery position to the TMF file recovery process on the primary system, the process recovers the files on the primary database up to that point. If you use File Recovery to a MAT position on all primary systems in the RDF network, in each case using the returned File Recovery positions, then your primary distributed database will be consistent across the RDF network.

You would use the File Recovery position with File Recovery in several situations: Assume you have had an outage of your primary system, you have executed the RDF takeover operation on your backup system, and you have resumed business transactions on your backup system. Assume further that the former primary system has been repaired, it is back online, and you want to switch your business transactions from the active backup database back to the former primary database. To do so, you merely execute a planned RDF switchover from the backup to the newly restored primary.

The problem with doing a planned switchover from backup to primary after an RDF takeover operation is that some transactions might have committed on the primary system immediately prior to the unplanned outage, and the outage brought down the extractor before it could send that data to the backup system. In such a case, when you bring the primary system back up the two databases are no longer synchronized because the primary database contains committed transactions that are not in the backup database. Such transactions cannot be recovered.

In the past you would have had to synchronize your entire primary and backup databases. That could be a lengthy task. Now you can simply use TMF file recovery to a MAT position. If you execute this operation on your primary system using the MAT position specified in the RDF event 888 message (see the description of message 888 in [Appendix C \(page 365\)](#)), it brings the primary database into the exact same state that the backup database was in upon completion of the RDF takeover. Thus, after file recovery has completed, you can execute a normal planned switchover from backup to primary.



NOTE: Due to the order transactions that commit on individual systems, file recovery might not always be possible. If an 888 message is generated, however, it can be trusted.

The Effects of Undoing Network Transactions

Except with RDF/ZLT, phase 3 undo processing within an RDF network environment usually results in other transactions being undone on every system in the network because the RDF product is designed to make the safest, and most conservative, assumptions regarding all possible interrelationships between transactions. This is best illustrated by example.

Consider an RDF network consisting of two RDF subsystem configurations (primary system \A protected by backup system \X, and primary system \B protected by backup system \Y). Assume that network transactions originate on both \A and \B, and that they update data on both \A and \B. Assume further that each system also executes local, non-network, transactions.

More specifically, assume that system \A (the network master) executes:

1. T10 (network transaction started on \A)
2. T11 (non-network transaction)
3. T11 commit
4. T10 commit
5. T12 (network transaction started on \A)
6. T12 commit
7. T13 (network transaction started on \B)
8. T13 commit
9. T14 (non-network transaction)
10. T15 (network transaction started on \A)
11. T14 commit
12. T15 commit

At approximately the same time system \B executes:

1. T10 (network transaction started on \A)
2. T20 (non-network transaction)
3. T12 (network transaction started on \A)
4. T13 (network transaction started on \B)
5. T21 (non-network transaction)
6. T22 (non-network transaction)
7. T36 (network transaction started on \C)
8. T21 commit
9. T22 commit
10. T36 commit
11. T20 commit
12. T10 commit
13. T13 commit
14. T12 commit

Assume that the primary system \B goes down after having transmitted the commit record for T13 to its backup system \Y. At that point \Y has the commits for T10, T13, T20, T21, T22 and T36. \Y only has to perform local undo (during which T12 is undone).

The purger on \X (the network master) determines that the first transaction requiring network undo is T12 because that transaction was active on both \A and \B when \B went down. Therefore, even though T12 originated on \A and was committed on \A, it must be undone on \X (the backup system of \A) because it was undone on \Y (the backup system of \B). This ensures database consistency across both nodes. When the purger identifies the first network transaction that must be undone during network undo processing, it logs an RDF 877 event message specifying that transaction.

Besides transaction T12, transactions T14 and T15 must also be undone on \X because they followed the commit of T12 on \A and their database changes could have been based on the committed outcome of T12. If T14 and T15 are not also undone, database consistency could be compromised because their effects on the database might have been based upon data that was backed out. T14 is a local transaction, not a network transaction. Nonetheless, its database changes could have been based on the outcome of T12 and therefore must be undone. Thus, both network and business consistency are maintained.

T13 does not, however, have to be undone even though it committed on \A after T12. Why? Because the purger on \X (the network master) determines that, although T13 followed T12 on \A, the sequence for these two commits had to have been reversed on \B, where the commit for

T13 preceded the commit for T12. Therefore, the purger determines that these two transactions could not have touched the same data, and T13 does not need to be undone.

This illustrates a very important point. With network transactions, the commit sequence of network transactions might differ from one node to another, depending on where the transactions originated. For example, consider two network transactions: T101 and T102. Assume T101 originated on \M and T102 originated on \N. Assume further that they altered data on both \M and \N, and committed at the same time. The commit operation for T101 is coordinated by the TMP on \M because that is where T101 originated; similarly, T102 is coordinated by the TMP on \N because that is where T102 originated. Thus, on \M, the sequence of commit records on the audit trail will likely be T101 followed by T102, whereas on \N it will likely be T102 followed by T101.

For these two reasons, we can be certain T101 and T102 did not alter the same data:

- Transaction record locking would have prevented these transactions from altering the same data.
- The commit sequence on \M being T101 followed by T102 and the commit sequence on \N being T102 followed by T101 unequivocally means that these two transactions were active at the same time and committed at the same time. Therefore they could not have altered the same data.

If we return to the issue of T13 in the example further above, the commit sequence differs on \A and \B. When the purger on \A determines that T12, T14, and T15 must be undone, it also determines that the results of T13 can be kept intact because T13 had to have completed on \B before T12. Why? The commit records on \A guarantee that both T12 and T13 did indeed commit. Therefore, although the commit record for T12 is missing from \B, the commit record for T13 is present. This guarantees that T13 committed prior to T12, and that the results of T13 can be kept intact on both nodes.

When a purger determines that it can keep the results of a transaction even though that transaction follows one that must be undone because data for it is missing elsewhere, the purger logs an RDF 823 event message identifying the particular transaction.



NOTE: If you have local transactions that do not touch data involved in network transaction activity, and you do not want these local transactions undone just because data might be missing for the network transactions during a takeover operation, you are advised to configure separate RDF subsystems: one to protect just the data involved in network transaction activity, and the second to protect the non-network data. Of course, both sets of data must have no dependencies on the other.

Takeover and the RETAINCOUNT Value

In order for all systems in an RDF network to execute phase 3 takeover processing correctly, you must ensure that all image data potentially needed for undo is available on each system. The way to achieve that is to set the purger's RETAINCOUNT to an acceptable value on each system. For a complete discussion about this attribute and how it works, refer to [Chapter 10 \(page 271\)](#). (The same RETAINCOUNT guidelines that apply to a triple contingency environment also apply to an RDF network environment.)

If you have not set the RETAINCOUNT properly and image files have been purged that are subsequently needed for phase 3 takeover processing, the takeover operations on the systems where the image data is missing might fail. In such a case, your entire distributed database across all RDF backup systems could be compromised with inconsistent data.

Network Configurations and Shared Access NonStop SQL/MP DDL Operations

Under certain circumstances after a shared access NonStop SQL/MP DDL operation, takeover network undo processing leads to an abort with database corruption.

To avoid this problem, use this protocol when performing shared access NonStop SQL/MP DDL operations in a network environment:

1. Issue the RDFCOM STOP RDF command on the primary system where you plan to perform the shared access NonStop SQL/MP DDL operation.
2. From TMFCOM STATUS TRANSACTIONS, collect all the network transactions that are currently in progress.
3. Wait until all transactions observed in step 2 have completed and are no longer listed.
4. For all other primary nodes in your RDF network, run RDFCOM STATUS RDF commands.
5. When all other RDF subsystems in the RDF network list 0:00 extractor RTD times, issue the RDFCOM START RDF command on the system where you had stopped RDF.
6. Perform your shared access NonStop SQL/MP DDL operation on your primary system.
7. Follow the normal method for replicating shared access NonStop SQL/MP DDL operations on your backup system.

Network Validation and Considerations

A set of rules has been devised to ensure that all RDF subsystems in your configured RDF network are consistent with each other.

1. You must validate all non network master subsystems before validating the network master's subsystem.
2. Because you cannot validate the network master until all non network master subsystems have been validated, you cannot start the network master until all non network master subsystems have been validated.
3. If you have validated a non network master, you are allowed to start that subsystem even though the network master has not been validated.

See Appendix C (page 365) for the error messages that can occur during validation steps.



NOTE: It is strongly recommended that you validate the configurations of all RDF subsystems in your RDF network with the RDFCOM VALIDATE CONFIGURATION command before you attempt to start any. This would then guarantee that your entire RDF network is configured correctly before you start any of the individual RDF subsystems.

RDF Reinitialization in a Network Environment

For any number of reasons you might choose to stop some of your RDF network subsystems and reinitialize them. This can be done without impacting the other subsystems in the RDF network. When you reconfigure those subsystems after initialization, there are several considerations.

Network Master Subsystem Initialization

When you reconfigure the subsystem, the network record must list all the non network master systems and the information for each system in the network record must be identical to the previous configuration. If not, validation will fail and you will not be able to start the subsystem.

Non-Network Master Subsystem Initialization

If you reconfigure the RDF subsystem of a non-network master:

1. The network configuration record must point to the network master of the RDF network.
2. You must ensure that the updater responsible for the PNETTXVOLUME is also configured to the same image trail as that listed in the network master's network configuration record. Otherwise, validation will fail and you will be unable to start the newly configured subsystem.



NOTE: If you must change the PNETTXVOLUME, the imagetrail, or the RDFVOLUME of any subsystem in your RDF network, then you must stop and reinitialize all of the RDF subsystems in that network.

RDF Networks and ABORT or STOP RDF Operations

If no network transactions are active, you can stop RDF on any subsystem at any time without affecting the other systems in an RDF network. The same is true with regard to an RDF monitor process aborting its RDF subsystem.

There is, however, one exceptional situation. The RDFNET process runs on the network master's primary system. For every primary system in the RDF network, the RDFNET process maintains a special file on its PNETTXVOLUME volume. If the communications line to one of those primary systems is down, and you then issue a STOP RDF command on the network master's primary system, the STOP RDF command could appear to hang. The reason for this is that the RDFNET process might be trying to open a file for the system whose path is down. In such a case, the RDFNET process waits until either the line comes back up or the Expand level-4 timer expires. If the RDFNET process must wait for the Expand level-4 timer to expire, it will not be able to respond to the STOP RDF or abort RDF request until the timer expires. By default, the timer is four or five minutes.

If you are waiting for the network master subsystem to shut down, and the operation does not appear to be happening, check the communication lines to the other systems in the network. If one of them is down and the RDFNET process is tying up the orderly shutdown of RDF, stop the RDFNET process manually.



CAUTION: If you stop any RDF subsystem in an RDF network, you could lose large amounts of committed data in the event of an unplanned outage.

RDF Networks and Stop-Update-to-Time Operations

Stop-update-to-time operations affect only the backup database of the particular system on which they are initiated. If you have an RDF network, you can execute a stop-update-to-time operation on any primary system in the network, but the operation affects only the backup database of the system on which it is initiated (it does not affect data in any other backup database, even for network transactions).

For example, suppose you have ten RDF subsystems in your RDF network, and most transactions on each system touch two or more systems in the network. Thus, nearly every transaction is a network transaction. If you execute a stop-update-to-time operation on one of these systems, that operation only brings that particular subsystem's backup database into a consistent state with regard to transaction commit times on the associated primary database. It does not execute undo operations on any other backup systems in the RDF network.

To illustrate this, assume you began a transaction (T10) at 12:00 P.M., executed ten updates on each of two primary systems in an RDF network (\A and \B), and committed T10 at 12:05. Assume further that you had previously issued a stop-update-to-time operation on system \A, specifying 12:01 P.M. When the stop-update-to-time operation completes, the data for T10 is backed out of system \A's backup database because T10 committed after 12:00 P.M. The data for T10 on system \B's backup database, however, remains unaffected (because a stop-update-to-time operation only applies to the backup system associated with the primary system on which it is initiated).

It is rare for clocks on different systems to have exactly the same values, thus rendering it impossible for stop-update-to-time operations to perform correctly across multiple backup systems.

Sample Configurations

Two sample configurations follow, one for the network master and one for a non network master. The network attributes are highlighted in bold.

Sample Network Master Configuration

The configuration that follows is for a network master RDF subsystem running from \RDF04 to \RDF06:

```
SET RDF SOFTWARELOC $SYSTEM.RDF
SET RDF LOGFILE $0
SET RDF UPDATERDELAY 10
SET RDF UPDATERTXTIME 60
SET RDF UPDATERRTDWARNING 60
SET RDF UPDATEROPEN PROTECTED
SET RDF NETWORK ON
SET RDF NETWORKMASTER ON
SET RDF UPDATEREXCEPTION OFF
ADD RDF

SET MONITOR CPUS 1:2
SET MONITOR PRIORITY 185
SET MONITOR PROCESS $MMON
ADD MONITOR

SET EXTRACTOR ATINDEX 0
SET EXTRACTOR CPUS 1:2
SET EXTRACTOR PRIORITY 185
SET EXTRACTOR PROCESS $MEX1
SET EXTRACTOR RTDWARNING 60
ADD EXTRACTOR

SET RECEIVER ATINDEX 0
SET RECEIVER CPUS 3:2
SET RECEIVER EXTENTS (100,100)
SET RECEIVER PRIORITY 185
SET RECEIVER RDFVOLUME $DATA11
SET RECEIVER FASTUPDATEMODE OFF
SET RECEIVER PROCESS $MR41
ADD RECEIVER

SET PURGER CPUS 3:2
SET PURGER PRIORITY 185
SET PURGER PROCESS $RP40
SET PURGER RETAINCOUNT 5
SET PURGER PURGETIME 60
ADD PURGER

SET IMAGETRAIL ATINDEX 0
ADD IMAGETRAIL $DATA06

SET NETWORK PRIMARYSYSTEM \RDF04
SET NETWORK BACKUPSYSTEM \RDF06
SET NETWORK REMOTECONTROLSUBVOLUME RDF04
SET NETWORK PNETTXVOLUME $DATA07
ADD NETWORK

SET NETWORK PRIMARYSYSTEM \RDF05
SET NETWORK BACKUPSYSTEM \RDF06
```

```
SET NETWORK REMOTECONTROLSUBVOLUME RDF05
SET NETWORK PNETTXVOLUME $DATA08
ADD NETWORK
```

```
SET RDFNET CPUS 0:2
SET RDFNET PRIORITY 165
SET RDFNET PROCESS $MNET
ADD RDFNET
```

```
SET VOLUME ATINDEX 0
SET VOLUME CPUS 1:2
SET VOLUME IMAGEVOLUME $DATA06
SET VOLUME PRIORITY 185
SET VOLUME PROCESS $RU43
SET VOLUME UPDATEVOLUME $DATA07
ADD VOLUME $DATA07
```

```
RESET VOLUME
```

Sample Non-Network Master Configuration

The configuration that follows is for an RDF subsystem running from \RDF05 to \RDF06, where the network master is \RDF04:

```
SET RDF SOFTWARELOC $SYSTEM.RDF
SET RDF LOGFILE $0
SET RDF UPDATERDELAY 10
SET RDF UPDATERTXTIME 60
SET RDF UPDATERRTDWARNING 60
SET RDF UPDATEROPEN PROTECTED
SET RDF NETWORK ON
SET RDF NETWORKMASTER OFF
SET RDF UPDATEREXCEPTION OFF
ADD RDF
```

```
SET MONITOR CPUS 1:2
SET MONITOR 185
SET MONITOR PROCESS $MMON
ADD MONITOR
```

```
SET EXTRACTOR ATINDEX 0
SET EXTRACTOR CPUS 1:2
SET EXTRACTOR PRIORITY 185
SET EXTRACTOR PROCESS $MEX1
SET EXTRACTOR RTDWARNING 60
ADD EXTRACTOR
```

```
SET RECEIVER ATINDEX 0
SET RECEIVER CPUS 3:2
SET RECEIVER EXTENTS (100,100)
SET RECEIVER PRIORITY 185
SET RECEIVER RDFVOLUME $DATA11
SET RECEIVER FASTUPDATEMODE OFF
SET RECEIVER PROCESS $MR51
ADD RECEIVER
```

```
SET PURGER CPUS 3:2
SET PURGER PRIORITY 185
SET PURGER PROCESS $RP50
SET PURGER RETAINCOUNT 5
SET PURGER PURGETIME 60
ADD PURGER
```

```
SET IMAGETRAIL ATINDEX 0
ADD IMAGETRAIL $DATA06
```

```

SET NETWORK PRIMARYSYSTEM \RDF04
SET NETWORK BACKUPSYSTEM \RDF06
SET NETWORK REMOTECONTROLSUBVOLUME RDF04
ADD NETWORK

```

```

SET VOLUME ATINDEX 0
SET VOLUME CPUS 1:2
SET VOLUME IMAGEVOLUME $DATA06
SET VOLUME PRIORITY 185
SET VOLUME PROCESS $RU53
SET VOLUME UPDATEVOLUME $DATA08
ADD VOLUME $DATA08

```

```

RESET VOLUME

```

RDFCOM STATUS Display

This example illustrates the RDFCOM STATUS display for a network master it includes the RDFNET process).

```

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```

```

Status of \RDF04 -> \RDF05 RDF 2008/08/11 05:26:49.082

```

```

Control Subvol: $SYSTEM.RDF04

```

```

Current State : Normal

```

RDF Process	Name	RTD Time	Pri	Volume	Seqnce	Rel Byte	Addr	Cpus	Err
Monitor	\$RMON		185	\$AUDIT	56			1: 2	
Extractor (0)	\$REXT0	0:00	185	\$AUDIT	56		928000	1: 2	
Extractor (1)	\$REXT1	0:00	185	\$DATA17	4		10435580	1: 2	
Receiver (0)	\$RRCV0	0:00	185	\$MIT	44			1: 2	
Receiver (1)	\$RRCV1	0:00	185					1: 2	
Imagetrail (0)				\$IMAGE0	22				
Imagetrail (1)				\$IMAGEA	3				
Purger	\$RPRG		185					1: 2	
RDFNET	\$MNET		165					0: 2	
\$DATA06 -> \$DATA06	\$RUPD1	0:06	185	\$IMAGE0	22		9568	1: 2	
\$DATA07 -> \$DATA07	\$RUPD2	0:00	185	\$IMAGEA	3		811008	2: 3	
\$DATA08 -> \$DATA08	\$RUPD3	0:06	185	\$IMAGEA	3		811568	3: 0	

15 Process-Lockstep Operation

The RDF/IMPX products include the process-lockstep operation, which is process-based. That is, when a process invokes the lockstep operation for a business transaction, the process must wait until all audit records associated with that business transaction are safely stored in image trails on the backup system before continuing.

Process-lockstep is not needed with RDF/ZLT because ZLT functionality provides means whereby no committed data is ever lost during an unplanned outage. Hence, ZLT functionality is a more efficient means of achieving the same result as process-lockstep. Process-lockstep can be used with RDF/ZLT, but does not add anything that ZLT functionality does not already provide.

A lockstep operation consists of these steps.

1. A process starts a business transaction and does database updates.
2. The process calls `endtransaction` to commit the work.
3. The process issues a `DoLockstep` procedure call.
4. The `DoLockstep` procedure communicates with an RDF gateway process.
5. The gateway starts a lockstep transaction against an RDF lockstep file.
6. The gateway communicates with the RDF subsystem regarding the lockstep transaction.
7. The RDF subsystem tells the gateway when lockstep audit has been safely stored on the backup system.
8. The gateway returns status to the `DoLockstep` procedure.
9. `DoLockstep` returns status to the process.

Thus, although the business transaction is actually committed on the primary system (and the file locks or table locks are released), the process cannot continue processing until all of the audit data associated with that transaction is safely stored in the image trails on the backup system).

While the process waits until `DoLockstep` completes, other processes can view and modify the just-changed records, and this must be understood and taken into consideration by the application designer.



NOTE: The lockstep capability can be used only for replicating Master Audit Trail (MAT) data. In addition, the lockstep capability cannot be used in an RDF network environment. Furthermore, you can have only one RDF subsystem configured for lockstep on a given node because the gateway can only be configured to a single extractor process.

The RDF/IMPX and RDF/ZLT independent product CDs include these files associated with the lockstep capability:

SLOCKCOB	Sample code for invoking the <code>DoLockstep</code> procedure from a COBOL 85 program.
LSGO	RDF lockstep gateway object code.
LSLIBTO	<code>DoLockstep</code> procedure object code.
FDOLOCK	Forward declarations of the <code>DoLockstep</code> procedure call.

Starting a Lockstep Operation

Transactions protected by a lockstep operation are begun, performed, and terminated just as any other transaction: call `BeginTransaction`, do the necessary database updates, and then call `EndTransaction`.

What defines a lockstep operation is the invocation of the new `DoLockstep` procedure. You issue the `DoLockstep` call immediately after the associated `EndTransaction` call.

The DoLockstep Procedure

How you invoke the DoLockstep procedure differs depending on whether your applications are written in COBOL or TAL.

Including the DoLockstep in COBOL85 Applications

To invoke the DoLockstep procedure from a COBOL85 program, you must first include the DoLockstep object module in the SPECIAL-NAMES paragraph in the CONFIGURATION section.

```
CONFIGURATION SECTION.  
    SOURCE-COMPUTER.  HP NONSTOP.  
    OBJECT-COMPUTER.  HP NONSTOP.  
    SPECIAL-NAMES.  
        FILE "$vol.subvol.LSLIBTO" IS LOCKSTEP-LIB.
```

where *\$vol.subvol* is the location where you have placed the object file.

You then invoke the DoLockstep procedure in the PROCEDURE division by using this statement:

```
ENTER TAL "DOLOCKSTEP" IN LOCKSTEP-LIB GIVING RETURN-CODE
```

The lockstep software provided with the RDF/IMPX and RDF/ZLT products includes a sample COBOL85 program (SLOCKCOB) that demonstrates how to use the DoLockstep procedure in a COBOL program.

Invoking DoLockStep by Way of TAL

The lockstep software provided with the RDF/IMPX and RDF/ZLT products includes a TAL header file containing the DoLockstep procedure declaration and the corresponding object file. You must modify your program to source in the header file FDOLOCK. For example, include these lines of code where you add procedure declarations.

```
?LIST  
?NOLIST, SOURCE  EXTDECS  
?LIST  
?NOLIST, SOURCE  FDOLOCK;  
?LIST
```

After recompiling your program, you must then decide whether you want to bind the object explicitly into your program or treat the object as a user library.

Typically you should explicitly bind the object into your program. The object file (LSLIBTO) is very small, and there are no benefits to treating it as a user library.

To bind LSLIBTO into your program, issue this statement:

```
Select Search $vol.subvol.LSLIBTO
```

where *\$vol.subvol* is the location where you have placed the object file.

If you do not want to bind the object into your program and if you do not already use a user library, then you can skip the bind step and treat LSLIBTO as a user library.

The TAL procedure call syntax is:

```
status := DoLockstep;  
where status is an int.
```



NOTE: The DoLockstep procedure can only be invoked from TAL and COBOL85 programs. Non-native C and native mode languages (C, C++, native mode COBOL, and pTAL) are not supported.

DoLockStep Execution

DoLockstep communicates with an RDF gateway process that acts as the coordinator of the lockstep operation. This gateway initiates a new **lockstep transaction** against a special RDF lockstep file. The gateway passes information about the lockstep transaction to the RDF extractor.

When the RDF receiver has flushed all audit records up to and including the lockstep audit into the image trail, it replies to the extractor that the lockstep data is safe. When the extractor receives that information, it replies to the gateway which, in turn, passes status back to the DoLockstep call, and the latter then returns status to the application.

DoLockstep is a waited operation that waits until the RDF subsystem has safely stored all audit data up to and including all audit data associated with the lockstep transaction in the image trail. Therefore, if the communications line between the primary and backup nodes should go down after the application has called DoLockstep, the application will wait until the line comes back up and the lockstep audit data is safely stored.

DoLockstep returns one of these three states:

LockStepDone (value is 31428)

All audit data associated with the lockstep operation has been safely stored in the image trail on the backup system.

LockStepDisabled (value is 31429)

Only returned when you have disabled lockstep processing. When this condition code is returned to your application, what your application does next is up to you. For example, you might choose to execute a recovery transaction that backs out the work of the previous business transaction, or you might want to continue as if the lockstep operation has completed and rely on RDF to ship the audit data to the backup system as soon as possible.

LockStepNotDone (value is 31426)

The RDF gateway process cannot be started. This status has the same ramifications as LockStepDisabled, and what your application does next is your decision.

The Lockstep Transaction

Remember, you must commit your business transaction before you call DoLockstep. Thus, when the gateway process issues the lockstep transaction, all audit records associated with your business transaction are guaranteed to be flushed in the audit trail on the primary system before any lockstep audit is generated. Therefore, when the lockstep audit is safely in the image trail on the backup system, you are also guaranteed to have all audit records of your business transaction safely in the image trail as well, because your business audit preceded the lockstep audit.

RDF Lockstep File

Each lockstep transaction involves a single update to a gateway-managed lockstep file. This file is created by the lockstep gateway and it must only be updated by the gateway. If you open the file and update data in it, you can potentially corrupt all future lockstep operations.

When configuring the RDF configuration record, you must specify the name of the volume on which you want the lockstep file to be located. This volume must be configured to the Master Audit Trail (MAT), and either the entire volume or at least the lockstep file must be protected by the RDF subsystem. You specify the volume by issuing a SET RDF LOCKSTEPVOL command.

SET RDF LOCKSTEPVOL *volume*

Where *volume* is a volume name and the volume is configured to the MAT. Additionally you must ensure that you add an updater to protect either the volume or the lockstep file.

The full file name is *volume.ZRDFLKSP.control-subvol*. If you only need to protect this file on this volume, then INCLUDE it when you configure the updater for the volume.

The RDF lockstep protocol supports virtual disks, so you can store your database on virtual disks managed by the Storage Management Facility (SMF). The RDF LOCKSTEPVOL, however, must be a physical disk, and it must be configured to the Master Audit Trail (MAT). Because the RDF lockstep file on the LOCKSTEPVOL is a direct (physical, not logical) file, it can reside easily on a small portion of a physical disk to store the file, and you can then subdivide the rest of the disk into virtual disks.

Multiple Concurrent Lockstep Operations

Because DoLockstep suspends the calling application until the associated lockstep transaction commits on the backup system, a single application process cannot have more than one lockstep operation in progress at any one time.

Multiple application processes, however, can invoke DoLockstep concurrently.

If called while idle, the RDF gateway immediately initiates a lockstep transaction to perform the requested lockstep operation (one calling process, one lockstep transaction).

If called while it has a lockstep transaction active, the RDF gateway merely queues the request. When the current lockstep transaction commits, the gateway initiates a new one that performs the lockstep operation collectively for all of the queued requests (multiple calling processes, one lockstep transaction).

Because the business transactions of each application process must have committed on the primary system before the process called DoLockstep, the audit data for those is guaranteed to be in the Master Audit Trail (MAT) when the lockstep transaction begins. Thus, when the lockstep audit data is committed on the backup system, all audit data generated in the MAT prior to that data is also guaranteed to be committed on the backup system.

Lockstep and Auxiliary Audit Trails

You can use the lockstep protocol for business transactions involving files or tables on volumes that are configured to auxiliary audit trails. In such a case, the lockstep protocol behaves exactly as it would if all volumes were configured to the MAT. Remember, however, that you must still configure an RDF lockstep volume for the lockstep file, and this volume must be configured to the MAT.

The Lockstep Gateway Process

The RDF lockstep gateway process is managed by the Subsystem Control Facility (SCF). To start a lockstep gateway process, you must create and execute an SCF script file. The recommended script settings are:

```
ASSUME PROCESS $ZZKRN
ADD #LSGO, &
NAME $ZLSGW, &
CPU FIRSTOF (1,2,3), &
PROGRAM volume.subvolume.LSGO, &
STARTMODE APPLICATION, &
STARTUPMSG "ENABLE <extractor-process-name>", &
AUTORESTART 10
START #LSGO
```

For detailed information about these attributes, see the information about configuring and managing generic processes in the *SCF Reference Manual for H-Series RVUs*. For some attributes, however, restrictions apply when the attributes are used with a lockstep gateway process.

NAME

This attribute must be \$ZLSGW. If you specify anything else, the lockstep gateway stops and you cannot perform lockstep operations. This means you can only have a single lockstep gateway process running on your primary system.

PROGRAM

This attribute specifies where the RDF gateway object code resides. Typically, that location is the same volume and subvolume where all of the other RDF software resides. The object name is LSGO, and that you must fully qualify the name. For example, you might specify the PROGRAM attribute as \$SYSTEM.RDF.LSGO.

STARTUPMSG

This attribute must include the process name of your RDF extractor (for example, STARTUPMSG "ENABLE \$MEXT"). The startup message must also include either ENABLE or DISABLE as the first parameter. Failure to include either of these parameters will cause the gateway to stop. The gateway can only communicate with one extractor. If you have multiple RDF subsystems using the same node as their primary system, only one of them can execute lockstep operations.

AUTORESTART

This attribute specifies the number of times SCF attempts to restart the gateway process if it should stop unexpectedly. You should set this attribute to 10.

Disabling Lockstep

To disable lockstep processing:

1. Change ENABLE to DISABLE in the STARTUPMSG attribute script.
2. Manually delete the RDF lockstep gateway process from SCF.
3. Run the changed SCF script.

When SCF restarts the gateway, lockstep processing is disabled. Thus, if your application calls DOLOCKSTEP, the gateway will return control immediately to the application without doing lockstep processing.

Disabling lockstep processing is a very useful feature. Suppose that the communications lines from your RDF primary to your RDF backup systems are down. In such a case, the extractor cannot send audit data to the backup system, and lockstep processing will hang until the communications lines are back up and the extractor resumes sending audit data. This is desired behavior if you really want lockstep processing. But suppose that the communications lines have been down for so long that your applications are getting no work done at all. In such a case, you might want to disable lockstep processing to allow your applications to resume their work without lockstep operations.

When lockstep is disabled, remember that your original transaction has already committed on the primary system. If you should subsequently lose the primary system and do a takeover on the backup system, the transaction might or might not have been committed in the backup database depending on whether or not the extractor got all of the original audit data over to the backup system before the primary system failed.

Reenabling Lockstep

To reenabling lockstep processing:

1. Change DISABLE to ENABLE in the STARTUPMSG attribute script.
2. Manually delete the RDF lockstep gateway process from SCF.
3. Run the changed SCF script.

When SCF restarts the gateway, lockstep processing is enabled.

Lockstep Performance Ramifications

By definition, a lockstep operation will increase the response time of your application because, after having invoked DoLockstep, the application must wait for the data to become safely stored in the backup system's image trail. The extractor and receiver processes have been streamlined to facilitate lockstep processing, but a short delay is unavoidable.

Expand problems or CPU failures that trigger extractor and receiver restart operations could also increase response times.

As described in "Multiple Concurrent Lockstep Operations" (page 312), the RDF gateway only ever has a single lockstep transaction in progress at any one time. If called while a lockstep

transaction is in progress, the RDF gateway merely queues the request. Consequently, if an application process issues a DoLockstep request immediately after the gateway has started a lockstep transaction, that request must wait to be performed until the current lockstep transaction is committed on the backup system. That could also increase response times.

Lockstep and Auxiliary Audit Trails

You cannot use lockstep processing in an RDF subsystem that is protecting auxiliary audit trails.

Lockstep and Network Transactions

You cannot use lockstep to protect data associated with network transactions because the lockstep protocol only pertains to operations on a single system. If lockstep is used with network transactions, consistency between lockstep operations and the distributed application database files cannot be guaranteed after an RDF takeover.

For a description of lockstep operation event messages, see “Lockstep Gateway Event Messages” (page 314)

Lockstep Gateway Event Messages

Lockstep gateway messages are sent to the configured EMS event log (collector). You specify the EMS event log by using the SET RDF command described in [Chapter 8 \(page 187\)](#).

1

I/O completed on an unknown file number.

Cause While reading \$RECEIVE, the lockstep gateway received an I/O completion on an unknown file number.

Effect The lockstep gateway stops.

Recovery This is an internal error, but the gateway is restarted. If the problem persists, contact the Global Mission Critical Solution Center (GMCSC) or your service provider.

2

A STARTUPMSG argument is missing for the lockstep gateway.

Cause You are missing either the ENABLE/DISABLE argument, or you have not specified the name of the RDF extractor.

Effect The lockstep gateway stops.

Recovery In your SCF script for starting the lockstep gateway, you must specify either ENABLE or DISABLE and the RDF extractor process name with the STARTUPMSG attribute. The process name must not include a node name.

3

The first argument of the STARTUPMSG attribute for your lockstep gateway was neither ENABLE nor DISABLE.

Cause You did not specify ENABLE or DISABLE as the first argument of the STARTUPMSG attribute in your SCF script.

Effect The lockstep gateway stops.

Recovery In your SCF script for starting the lockstep gateway, you must specify either ENABLE or DISABLE as the first argument of the STARTUPMSG attribute.

4

The lockstep gateway has received error *errnum* when attempting to communicate with the RDF extractor *procname*.

errnum

is a file-system error number.

procname

is the name of an extractor process.

Cause The RDF extractor is no longer responding, and it might be stopped.

Effect The lockstep gateway stops.

Recovery Determine why the RDF subsystem stopped, correct the problem, and then restart the subsystem.

5

The lockstep gateway received error *errnum* from the RDF extractor *procname*.

errnum

is a file-system error number.

procname

is the name of the process that is in use.

Cause When the gateway attempted to obtain the name of the RDF lockstep file from the extractor, it received the indicated error. This condition can happen if the RDF subsystem with the specified extractor was not configured for lockstep, or the version of your RDF subsystem does not support lockstep operations.

Effect The lockstep gateway stops.

Recovery If you want to perform RDF lockstep operations, you must be sure you have the correct version of the RDF product, and you must be sure you have configured your RDF subsystem for lockstep operation.

6

Create error *errnum* on the RDF lockstep file *filename*.

errnum

is a file-system error number.

filename

is the name of a lockstep file.

Cause When the gateway attempted to create the specified lockstep file, it received the specified error.

Effect The lockstep gateway stops.

Recovery Correct the error condition and restart the lockstep gateway.

7

Open error *errnum* on *filename*.

errnum

is a file-system error number.

filename

is the name of a lockstep file.

Cause The lockstep gateway received the specified error while attempting to open the specified lockstep file.

Effect The lockstep gateway stops.

Recovery Correct the error condition and restart the lockstep gateway.

8

Error *errnum* received when attempting to obtain info on file *filename*.

errnum

is a file-system error number.

filename

is the name of a lockstep file.

Cause The lockstep gateway received the specified error while attempting to call FILE_GETINFOLIST_ on the specified file.

Effect The lockstep gateway stops.

Recovery Correct the error condition and restart the lockstep gateway.

9

Error *errnum* returned when attempting to update file *filename*.

errnum

is a file-system error number.

filename

is the name of a lockstep file.

Cause The lockstep gateway received the specified error while attempting to update the specified lockstep file.

Effect The lockstep gateway stops.

Recovery Correct the error condition and restart the lockstep gateway.

10

The RDF lockstep file *filename* has an incorrect file code.

filename

is the name of a lockstep file.

Cause The specified lockstep file has the wrong file code.

Effect The lockstep gateway stops.

Recovery Either the file was not created by the lockstep process, or the file code was incorrectly altered. Purge the file and restart the lockstep gateway.

11

Lockstep file *filename* is not audited.

filename

is the name of a lockstep file.

Cause The specified lockstep file does not have the audit attribute set.

Effect The lockstep gateway stops.

Recovery Either the file was not created by the lockstep process, or the audit attribute was erroneously turned off. Purge the file and restart the lockstep gateway.

12

Invalid message-id *msgid* returned from RDF extractor.

msgid

is the invalid message id.

Cause The lockstep gateway sent a request to the RDF extractor, and the latter returned the included message id number.

Effect The lockstep gateway stops.

Recovery This is an internal error, but the gateway is restarted. If the problem persists, contact the Global Mission Critical Solution Center (GMCSC) or your service provider.

13

Invalid data returned from the RDF Extractor.

Cause The lockstep gateway sent a request to the RDF extractor, and the latter returned invalid data.

Effect The lockstep gateway stops.

Recovery This is an internal error, but the gateway is restarted. If the problem persists, contact the Global Mission Critical Solution Center (GMCSC) or your service provider.

14

BEGINTRANSACTION error *errnum* when attempting a lockstep transaction.
errnum

is a file-system error number.

Cause The gateway encountered the specified error on BEGINTRANSACTION.

Effect If the error is retryable, the lockstep gateway starts a new transaction. If the error is unexpected, the gateway stops.

Recovery This is an informational error, unless the gateway stops. If it stops, correct the condition that caused the error and then restart the gateway.

15

Read error *errnum* on \$RECEIVE.

errnum

is a file-system error number.

Cause The lockstep gateway received the specified error when reading \$RECEIVE.

Effect The lockstep gateway stops.

Recovery This is an internal error, but the gateway is restarted. If the problem persists, contact the Global Mission Critical Solution Center (GMCSC) or your service provider.

16

Error *errnum* encountered while responding to the applications that called DOLOCKSTEP.

errnum

is a file-system error number.

Cause The gateway encountered the included error while trying to reply to the calling applications.

Effect The lockstep gateway stops.

Recovery This is an internal error, but the gateway is restarted. If the problem persists, contact the Global Mission Critical Solution Center (GMCSC) or your service provider.

17

Open error *errnum* on \$RECEIVE.

errnum

is a file-system error number.

Cause The lockstep gateway received the specified error when attempting to open \$RECEIVE.

Effect The lockstep gateway stops.

Recovery This is an internal error, but the gateway is restarted. If the problem persists, contact the Global Mission Critical Solution Center (GMCSC) or your service provider.

18

Filename formatting error *errnum*.

errnum

is a file-system error number.

Cause The lockstep gateway received the specified error while attempting to format the lockstep filename.

Effect The lockstep gateway stops.

Recovery This is an internal error, but the gateway is restarted. If the problem persists, contact the Global Mission Critical Solution Center (GMCSC) or your support representative.

19

Invalid process name *procname* for lockstep gateway.

procname

is the invalid process name.

Cause The required process name is \$ZLSGW, but you supplied the specified name in your SCF script.

Effect The lockstep gateway stops.

Recovery You must change your SCF script and use the required process name.

20

PROCESS_GETINFO_ error *errnum* on lockstep gateway.

errnum

is a file-system error number.

Cause The specified error was returned when the lockstep gateway attempted to obtain information about itself.

Effect The lockstep gateway stops.

Recovery This is an internal error, but the gateway is restarted. If the problem persists, contact the Global Mission Critical Solution Center (GMCSC) or your service provider.

21

Invalid process name *procname* for the RDF extractor.

procname

is the invalid process name.

Cause You have specified a node name with the name of the extractor in your SCF script.

Effect The lockstep gateway stops.

Recovery You must remove the node name for the extractor from your SCF script.

22

Open error *errnum* on RDF master extractor *procname*.

errnum

is a file-system error number.

procname

is the name of an extractor process.

Cause The specified error was returned when the lockstep gateway attempted to open the RDF extractor.

Effect The gateway continues trying to open the extractor and will repeat this message every five minutes until the open is successful.

Recovery This is an informational message. If you want lockstep operations to resume, and if your RDF subsystem is not currently running, you must restart the subsystem.

23

Position error *errnum* returned when attempting to position in lockstep file *filename*.

errnum

is a file-system error number.

filename

is the name of a lockstep file.

Cause The specified error was returned when the lockstep gateway attempted to position into the lockstep file.

Effect The lockstep gateway stops.

Recovery SCF automatically restarts the gateway. If the problem persists and the autorestart count is exhausted, correct the condition that caused the error and then restart the gateway.

24

Error *errnum* returned when attempting to lock the lockstep file *filename*.

errnum

is a file-system error number.

filename

is the name of a lockstep file.

Cause The specified error was returned when the lockstep gateway attempted to lock the specified file.

Effect The lockstep gateway stops.

Recovery SCF automatically restarts the gateway. If the problem persists and the autorestart count is exhausted, correct the condition that caused the error and then restart the gateway.

25

Lockstep operations ENABLED for RDF extractor *procname*.

procname

is the name of an extractor process.

Cause Lockstep processing is enabled for the specified RDF extractor.

Effect Lockstep processing is enabled.

Recovery This is an informational message; no recovery is required.

26

Lockstep operations DISABLED for RDF extractor *procname*.

procname

is the name of an extractor process.

Cause Lockstep processing is disabled for the specified RDF extractor.

Effect Lockstep processing is disabled.

Recovery This is an informational message; no recovery is required.

27

Lockstep Gateway Started.

Cause The lockstep gateway is started.

Effect The lockstep gateway continues its initialization activity.

Recovery This is an informational message; no recovery is required.

28

RDF extractor *procname* responded with error *errnum* to lockstep request.
procname

is the name of an extractor process.

errnum

is a file-system error number.

Cause While the extractor is processing a lockstep request, the gateway stops, has been restarted by SCF, and has sent a new lockstep request to the extractor.

Effect The lockstep gateway stops.

Recovery SCF automatically restarts the gateway. If the problem persists and the autorestart count is exhausted, wait 30 seconds and then restart the gateway again.

29

Lockstep transaction aborted with error *errnum*.

errnum

is a file-system error number.

Cause The specified error was encountered on a lockstep transaction.

Effect If the error is retryable, the lockstep gateway starts a new transaction. If the error is unexpected, the gateway stops.

Recovery This is an informational error, unless the gateway stops. If it stops, correct the condition that caused the error and then restart the gateway.

30

ENDTRANSACTION error *errnum* encountered on lockstep transaction.

errnum

is a file-system error number.

Cause The specified error was encountered on ENDTRANSACTION.

Effect If the error is retryable, the lockstep gateway starts a new transaction. If the error is unexpected, the gateway stops.

Recovery This is an informational error, unless the gateway stops. If it stops, correct the condition that caused the error and then restart the gateway.

31

Invalid process name: *procname* for the RDF master extractor.

procname

is the invalid process name.

Cause In your SCF script for starting the lockstep gateway, the process name specified in the STARTUPMSG attribute was not a valid process name for the RDF master extractor.

Effect The lockstep gateway stops.

Recovery Correct the STARTUPMSG attribute script and then manually delete the RDF lockstep gateway process from SCF and run your newly edited SCF script. The process name must not include a node name.

32

A spurious STARTUPMSG argument was encountered for the lockstep gateway.

Cause In your SCF script for starting the lockstep gateway, the STARTUPMSG attribute contained an extra or unrecognizable argument.

Effect The lockstep gateway stops.

Recovery The STARTUPMSG attribute must include exactly two arguments: the word ENABLE or DISABLE, and a valid RDF extractor process name, all enclosed in quotes. Correct the STARTUPMSG attribute script and then manually delete the RDF lockstep gateway process from SCF and run your newly edited SCF script. The process name must not include a node name.

16 NonStop SQL/MX and RDF

RDF supports replication of NonStop SQL/MX user tables (file code 550) and indexes (file code 552). These operations are supported in much the same way as they are with NonStop SQL/MP, and the same types of data and DDL operations are replicated.

This chapter describes these operations:

- “Including and Excluding SQL/MX Objects”
- “Creating NonStop SQL/MX Primary and Backup Databases” (page 323)
- “Creating a NonStop SQL/MX Backup Database From an Existing Primary Database” (page 326)
- “Online Database Synchronization With NonStop SQL/MX Objects” (page 328)
- “Offline Synchronization for a Single Partition” (page 330)
- “Correcting Incorrect NonStop SQL/MX Name Mapping” (page 332)
- “Consideration for Creating Backup Tables” (page 333)
- “Restoring to a Specific Location” (page 333)
- “Comparing NonStop SQL/MX Tables” (page 335)

Given the way the name mapping works between NonStop SQL/MX objects and their underlying Guardian file names, there are special considerations when setting up NonStop SQL/MX objects to be replicated by RDF. This chapter describes those issues.

The command interface for NonStop SQL/MX is MXCI.

Including and Excluding SQL/MX Objects

By default, RDF provides volume-level protection, wherein changes to all audited files and tables on each protected primary system data volume are replicated to an associated backup system data volume.

RDF also supports subvolume- and file-level replication. To use this capability, you use INCLUDE and EXCLUDE clauses when configuring updaters to identify specific database objects you want replicated or not replicated. INCLUDE and EXCLUDE clauses require the use of Guardian names. If you have an ANSI-named NonStop SQL/MX object that you want to include or exclude, you first must get the underlying Guardian name by using the MXGNAMES utility or the MXCI SHOWDLL command. The use of INCLUDE and EXCLUDE clauses is described in Chapter 11 (page 279).

Creating NonStop SQL/MX Primary and Backup Databases

To create a NonStop SQL/MX primary and backup database from scratch, perform these steps:

1. Create the catalog on the primary system:

```
CREATE CATALOG catalog_name LOCATION optional_Guardian_location;
```

For example, if issued on the primary system this command creates a catalog named PCAT on volume \$DATA01 on the primary system:

```
CREATE CATALOG PCAT LOCATION $DATA01;
```

For the rest of this procedure assume that the name of the primary system is \PNODE, and the name of the backup system is \BNODE.

2. Create the catalog on the backup system.

The catalog name must be different from that of the primary catalog.

For example, if issued on the backup system this command creates a catalog named BCAT on volume \$DATA01 on the backup system:

```
CREATE CATALOG BCAT LOCATION $DATA01;
```

3. If you want each catalog to be seen from both systems, register your primary and backup catalogs.

To register the primary catalog on the backup system, issue a REGISTER CATALOG command on the primary system.

To register the backup catalog on the primary system, issue a REGISTER CATALOG command on the backup system.

The format of the REGISTER CATALOG command is:

```
REGISTER CATALOG catalog ON node.volume;
```

Where catalog is the local catalog, node is the remote system where you want the local catalog registered, and volume is where the local catalog is to be registered on the remote system.

For example, this command (if executed on the primary system) registers the primary catalog on volume \$DATA00 of the backup system:

```
REGISTER CATALOG pcat ON \bnode.$data00;
```

This command (if executed on the backup system) registers the backup catalog on volume \$DATA00 of the primary system:

```
REGISTER CATALOG bcat ON \pnode.$data00;
```

4. Create the schema on the primary system.

If you do not use the LOCATION clause, NonStop SQL/MX will set the subvolume itself. In that case, you must query NonStop SQL/MX to obtain the subvolume name because the subvolume name is needed when creating the schema on the backup system.

If you specify the LOCATION clause, the subvolume name must start with "ZSD" and the entire name must be eight characters in length.

For example, if issued on the primary system, this command (without a LOCATION clause) creates a schema called PCAT.SCH on the primary system:

```
CREATE SCHEMA PCAT.SCH;
```

If you omit the LOCATION clause, then, after creating the schema, you must use this query to obtain the subvolume of the schema (where you fill in the correct node-name, schema-name, and catalog-name):

```
SELECT S.schema_subvolume
FROM NONSTOP_SQLMX_node-name.system_schema.schemata S,
NONSTOP_SQLMX_node-name.system_schema.catsys C
WHERE S.schema_name = 'schema-name' AND
C.cat_name = 'catalog-name' AND
S.cat_uid = C.cat_uid;
```

Node-name is a Guardian system name that excludes the backslash (\).

In this example, the node-name is PNODE, the schema-name is SCH, and the catalog-name is PCAT.

```
SELECT S.schema_subvolume
FROM NONSTOP_SQLMX_PNODE.system_schema.schemata S,
NONSTOP_SQLMX_PNODE.system_schema.catsys C
WHERE S.schema_name = 'SCH' AND
C.cat_name = 'PCAT' AND
S.cat_uid = C.cat_uid;
```

For the rest of this procedure assume that the above query returns the value ZSDXYZ3A.

5. Create the schema on the backup system using the same schema name and the same subvolume name as on the primary system.

Because RDF is replicating based on the underlying Guardian file locations, you must use the LOCATION clause. If you specified the LOCATION clause when creating the primary system's schema, you must use the same subvolume here. If you did not specify the

LOCATION clause when creating the primary system's schema, you must query the primary system to obtain the Guardian subvolume name, and you must use the Guardian subvolume name with the LOCATION clause here.

For example, if issued on the backup system, this command creates a schema on the backup system called SCH in catalog BCAT using subvolume ZSDXYZ3A:

```
CREATE SCHEMA BCAT.SCH LOCATION ZSDXYZ3A;
```

6. Create each object (table or index) on the primary system.

The ANSI name of the object must be constructed as follows:

- catalog name: use the name of the primary catalog you created in Step 1.
- schema name: use the name you used in Steps 4 and 5.
- table or index name: whatever ANSI name you choose for the object.

For example, this command creates a table called TAB1 in schema PCAT.SCH, with three partitions, located on volumes \$DATA02, \$DATA03, \$DATA04, respectively.

```
CREATE TABLE PCAT.SCH.TAB1 (a int not null, b int, primary key (a))  
LOCATION $DATA02  
PARTITION ( ADD FIRST KEY (100) LOCATION $DATA03,  
            ADD FIRST KEY (200) LOCATION $DATA04 );
```

You should specify only the desired volume to allow NonStop SQL/MX to generate the complete Guardian filenames. This is true for non-partitioned objects as well as for partitioned objects. Thus, you specify only the volume name in the LOCATION clause, and NonStop SQL/MX constructs the fully qualified Guardian name for the object, using:

- The volume you specified for the object in the LOCATION clause.
- The subvolume associated with the object's ANSI schema (as indicated in that portion of the object's ANSI name).
- The system-generated Guardian filename. In this case, you must obtain the underlying Guardian filename using SHOWDDL or a metadata query before you can set up your backup database.

Now, the full CREATE TABLE statement for CAT.SCH.TAB1, including the full Guardian names of the partitions, can be displayed in MXCI by using the command:

```
SHOWDDL PCAT.SCH.TAB1;
```

Assume the system generates these Guardian file names:

```
$DATA02.ZSDXYZ3A.KQY8KY00
```

```
$DATA03.ZSDXYZ3A.KQY8RK00
```

```
$DATA04.ZSDXYZ3A.KQY8YG00
```

The volumes specified in the LOCATION clauses of the CREATE TABLE statement are used and that the subvolume is the subvolume created by the CREATE SCHEMA statement in Step 3.

If you want to specify the complete Guardian filename for your object yourself, you must use the LOCATION clause specifying the volume on which you want the object placed and using the Guardian subvolume associated with the object's schema. The Guardian filename must be exactly eight characters long and end in "00" (zero-zero).

You cannot specify a volume and subvolume portion without also specifying the filename. All NonStop SQL/MX partitions for a table must have the same Guardian subvolume name but the Guardian filename will not normally be the same, even if the partitions are on different volumes.

7. Create each object on the backup system.

The ANSI name of the object must be constructed as follows:

- catalog name: use the name of the backup catalog you created in Step 2.
- schema name: use the name you used in Steps 4 and 5.
- table or index name: must match on the primary and backup systems.

This command creates a table called TAB1 in the schema BCAT.SCH, with three partitions, located on volumes \$data02, \$data13, \$data14, respectively.

```
CREATE TABLE BCAT.SCH.TAB1 (a int not null, b int, primary key (a))
LOCATION $DATA02.ZSDXYZ3A.KQY8KY00
PARTITION
    (ADD FIRST KEY (100) LOCATION $DATA13.ZSDXYZ3A.KQY8RK00,
     ADD FIRST KEY (200) LOCATION $DATA14.ZSDXYZ3A.KQY8YG00);
```

The *subvolume.filename*s are identical between the primary and backup systems in this example, but two of the volumes have been remapped for RDF between the primary and backup systems: \$data02 is replicated to \$data02, but \$data03 is replicated to \$data13 and \$data04 is replicated to \$data14.

With regard to the Guardian filename, you must use a fully-qualified LOCATION clause, thereby ensuring that the underlying Guardian *subvolume.filename*s are identical on the primary and backup systems; otherwise, the updater will report a 736 event, listing the underlying Guardian *subvolume.filename* of the object, and the updater will wait until you have created such a file. At this point, you will have to correct the naming problem as described in “Correcting Incorrect NonStop SQL/MX Name Mapping” (page 332).

When you have completed Steps 6 and 7 for each table and index, the primary database is ready for transaction activity, and the backup database is ready for RDF to replicate that transaction activity.

Creating a NonStop SQL/MX Backup Database From an Existing Primary Database

To create an RDF backup NonStop SQL/MX database from an existing primary database, perform these steps:

1. Create a catalog on your backup system to correspond to the primary system catalog whose objects you want RDF to replicate. The name of the backup catalog must differ from the name of the primary catalog. The volume in the optional LOCATION clause might differ from the volume used on the primary system.

```
CREATE CATALOG catalog_name LOCATION optional_guardian_location;
```

For example, if issued on the backup system, the command

```
CREATE CATALOG BCAT LOCATION $DATA01;
```

creates a catalog named BCAT on volume \$DATA01 on the backup system.

For the rest of this procedure assume that the name of the primary system is \PNODE and the name of the backup system is \BNODE.

2. Create the schema on the backup system using the same schema name and the same subvolume name as on the primary system.

For example, if issued on the backup system, this command creates a schema on the backup system called SCH in catalog BCAT using subvolume ZSDXYZ3A:

```
CREATE SCHEMA BCAT.SCH LOCATION ZSDXYZ3A;
```

You must use the LOCATION clause. If you specified the LOCATION clause when creating the primary system's schema, you must use the same subvolume here. If you did not specify the LOCATION clause when creating the primary system's schema or if you do not know

the name of the subvolume used for the schema on the primary system, then you must query the primary system to obtain the Guardian subvolume name, and you must use the Guardian subvolume name with the LOCATION clause here. See “Creating NonStop SQL/MX Primary and Backup Databases” (page 323).

3. If you want each catalog to be seen from both systems, register your primary and backup catalogs. See “Creating NonStop SQL/MX Primary and Backup Databases” (page 323) for instructions and examples.
4. Use the MXGNAMES utility to generate the LOCATION clauses for the RESTORE utility. To generate a location clause for a single table on the primary node called CAT.SCH.TAB1, use this command:

```
MXGNAMES CAT.SCH.TAB1 -BR2 -node=\bnode -output=TAB1MAP
```

See the *SQL/MX Installation and Management Guide* for more information about the MXGNAMES utility. This command generates the necessary location clause to restore this table on the backup node, without changing the volume names, and saves the output to a Guardian EDIT file called TAB1MAP. If necessary, you can remap the volume names manually by editing this file.

```
LOCATION
```

```
(  
  \PNODE.$DATA01.ZSDABCDEF.FILE100 TO \BNODE.$DATA0A.ZSDABCDEF.FILE100,  
  \PNODE.$DATA02.ZSDABCDEF.FILE100 TO \BNODE.$DATA0B.ZSDABCDEF.FILE100,  
  \PNODE.$DATA03.ZSDABCDEF.FILE100 TO \BNODE.$DATA0C.ZSDABCDEF.FILE100  
)
```

You can generate one such location file for each table, or a single file in one MXGNAMES command by providing an input list of NonStop SQL/MX names. The input list must be a Guardian EDIT file consisting of one fully-qualified ANSI SQL table name per line, such as:

```
CAT.SCH.T1  
CAT.SCH.T123  
CAT.SCH.ABC
```

Assuming this EDIT file is called BR2INPUT, you can use the this command to generate a single output file call LOCMAP2, containing the necessary LOCATION clause to back up all three tables:

```
MXGNAMES -sqlnames=BR2INPUT -BR2 -node=\bnode -output=LOCMAP2
```

See the *SQL/MX Installation and Management Guide* for information about how to generate input table name lists from your database and more complete information on the MXGNAMES utility.

5. Use the BACKUP utility to store your primary database objects on tape, using their ANSI names. The application must be stopped, and the database inactive, while the backup is being performed.

6. At the backup system, use the RESTORE utility to place the objects on the backup system, specifying the ANSI names for the backup system. Use the LOCATION clauses to have RESTORE place the objects in the correct Guardian locations. See “Restoring to a Specific Location” for general restore syntax for NonStop SQL/MX databases.

For example, assume you have the objects on your primary system that have these fully qualified Guardian names:

```
\pnode.$DATA01.ZSDABCDEF.FILE100
\pnode.$DATA02.ZSDABCDEF.FILE100
\pnode.$DATA03.ZSDABCDEF.FILE100
```

For the RESTORE command, you must name the qualified Guardian filenames of your source objects and also the qualified Guardian filenames of your target objects in the LOCATION clause.

```
LOCATION
( \pnode.$DATA01.ZSDABCDEF.FILE100 TO \bnode.$DATA0A.ZSDABCDEF.FILE100,
  \pnode.$DATA02.ZSDABCDEF.FILE100 TO \bnode.$DATA0B.ZSDABCDEF.FILE100,
  \pnode.$DATA03.ZSDABCDEF.FILE100 TO \bnode.$DATA0C.ZSDABCDEF.FILE100
)
```

The volume names can differ between the primary and backup systems. Also, the subvolume and filenames on the backup system must be identical to those on the primary system, and the subvolume must correspond to the subvolume you used when you created your schema.

The backup database is now ready for RDF replication activity.

Online Database Synchronization With NonStop SQL/MX Objects

The principles of protocol for online database synchronization with NonStop SQL/MX objects are the same as for Enscribe and NonStop SQL/MP objects. That is, you follow the guidelines for the RDF online database-synchronization protocol. The only difference is how the fuzzy copy is obtained. The following discussions focus on the two options for getting the fuzzy copy: creating a fuzzy copy on the primary system or creating the fuzzy copy on the backup system. Please note, however, that the method of taking an online dump and then the use of TMF File Recovery to a New Location (FRNL) is an alternative to getting a fuzzy copy than the method below, and this is discussed in Chapter 7.

Creating the Fuzzy Copy on the Primary System

The advantage of this method is that in creating and populating the fuzzy copy on the primary system you achieve better performance than by creating and populating the fuzzy copy over the network. Once created and populated, you use BACKUP/RESTORE to move the fuzzy copy to the backup system. The disadvantage of this method is that it requires disk space on the primary system to store a second copy of your NonStop SQL/MX database.

To create the fuzzy copy on the primary system, perform these steps.

1. Create a temporary catalog on your primary system to correspond to your regular catalog on your primary system whose objects you want RDF to replicate.

```
CREATE CATALOG catalog_name LOCATION optional_guardian_location;
```
2. Create a temporary schema for your temporary catalog. Follow the instructions in “Creating a NonStop SQL/MX Backup Database From an Existing Primary Database” (page 326), but be sure to perform the instructions on your primary system instead of on the backup system. The name of the temporary schema must be identical to the name of the schema whose objects you want replicated. You must also ensure that the subvolume name for the temporary schema is identical to that of the schema whose objects you want replicated.
3. Create temporary objects in your temporary schema. Follow the guidelines outlined in “Creating a NonStop SQL/MX Backup Database From an Existing Primary Database” (page 326), except that you must create these temporary objects on the primary system and on different volumes from those used for your primary objects. You can use the use the

MXGNAMES utility as described in “Creating a NonStop SQL/MX Backup Database From an Existing Primary Database” (page 326) to generate the LOCATION clauses for the temporary objects, modifying the volume names as necessary and using the primary node name for the -node option. Alternatively, you can use the SHOWDDL command to obtain the fully qualified filenames of the objects you want replicated and specify the same Guardian *subvol.filename* in the corresponding LOCATION clauses when creating the temporary objects.

For example, suppose you have a primary table that has two partitions, for which you want make a fuzzy copy, and the fully qualified Guardian names are:

```
$DATA01.ZSDABCDE.HWEFGH00  
$DATA02.ZSDABCDE.HWEFHJ00
```

When you create the temporary table, you might list these Guardian names in the LOCATION clause:

```
$DATAXX.ZSDABCDE.HWEFGH00  
$DATAYY.ZSDABCDE.HWEFHJ00
```

4. Populate the temporary tables.

```
INSERT INTO temporary-table SELECT * FROM primary-table;
```

5. Use BACKUP to put the temporary objects onto tape.
6. Create a catalog on your backup system to correspond to your primary catalog on your primary system whose objects you want RDF to replicate.
7. Create the schema on the backup node using the same schema name and the same subvolume name as the schema for your primary database. See “Creating NonStop SQL/MX Primary and Backup Databases” (page 323) for details and an example.
8. If you want each catalog to be seen from both systems, register your primary and backup catalogs.

To register the primary catalog on the backup system, issue a REGISTER CATALOG command on the primary system.

To register the backup catalog on the primary system, issue a REGISTER CATALOG command on the backup system.

The format of the REGISTER CATALOG command is:

```
REGISTER CATALOG catalog ON node.volume;
```

Where catalog is the local catalog, node is the remote system where you want the local catalog registered, and volume is where the local catalog is to be registered on the remote system.

For example, this command (if executed on the primary system) registers the primary catalog on the backup system:

```
REGISTER CATALOG pcat ON \bnode.$data00;
```

If executed on the backup system, this command registers the backup catalog on the primary system:

```
REGISTER CATALOG bcat ON \pnode.$data00;
```

9. Use RESTORE to place the temporary objects on the backup system, but specifying the backup catalog as the target. See “Creating a NonStop SQL/MX Backup Database From an Existing Primary Database” (page 326) for details. Note that:
 - The *subvolume.filename* of the primary and temporary objects are identical.
 - The schema and object names of the primary and temporary objects are identical.

Be sure that when you restore the ANSI names you specify the backup catalog name, not the temporary catalog name. Also, be sure you use the LOCATION clause to specify the explicit Guardian *subvolume.filename* with the volume names where you want the objects placed.

The backup database is now ready for RDF replication, and you can drop the temporary catalog.schema.objects on your primary system.

Creating the Fuzzy Copy on the Backup System

The advantage of this method is that it eliminates the use of temporary objects as well as tape handling because you create your backup objects directly on the backup system. The disadvantage is that it requires you to load the data from your primary objects to your backup objects over Expand lines, which might take longer than the alternate method given above if the data is great in size.

To create the fuzzy copy on the backup system, perform these steps.

1. Create the backup catalog on your backup system. This operation is identical to operation in “Creating a NonStop SQL/MX Backup Database From an Existing Primary Database” (page 326).
2. Create the schema on the backup system. This operation is identical to that outlined in “Creating a NonStop SQL/MX Backup Database From an Existing Primary Database” (page 326).
3. So each catalog can be seen from both systems, you must register your primary and backup catalogs as described in “Creating NonStop SQL/MX Primary and Backup Databases” (page 323).
4. Obtain the fully qualified Guardian filenames for all objects on the primary system that you want replicated.
5. Create each object on the backup system. See “Creating NonStop SQL/MX Primary and Backup Databases” (page 323).
6. Determine where you will run the command to load the data from the primary objects to the backup objects. If you run the command on the primary system, NonStop SQL/MX selects the data locally and inserts over the network into the backup object. Alternatively, you can run the operation on the backup system, which selects the data remotely and inserts the data locally.
7. Populate the backup objects by running an INSERT statement on whichever system you prefer.

```
INSERT INTO backup-table SELECT * FROM primary-table;
```

where backup-table and primary-table are the 3-part ANSI names of the two tables.

The backup database is now ready for RDF replication.

Offline Synchronization for a Single Partition

You must first determine the key ranges for each of your partitions.

For the partition that you want to synchronize, find out whether a partition already exists on the backup system. If a partition exists, then there are two methods to synchronize the backup partition to the primary: directly and indirectly.

Directly From the Primary to the Backup

1. Delete all rows in the backup partition. If the partition whose rows you want to delete has the key range of "F"-"J" and the next partition starts with "K", delete rows from the F-J partition:

```
DELETE FROM name  
WHERE key-column >= 'F' and key-column < 'K';
```

2. Load the rows from the primary partition into the backup partition. This requires each catalog to be registered on the other node as described in “Creating NonStop SQL/MX Primary and Backup Databases” (page 323).

```
INSERT INTO backup-table SELECT * FROM primary-table
WHERE key-column >= 'F' AND key-column < 'K';
```

Indirectly From the Primary to the Backup By Way of a Temporary File

If the number of rows to load over the network is too great, you can use a temporary file on the primary system:

1. Create a temporary catalog on your primary system to correspond to your regular catalog on your primary system whose objects you want RDF to replicate.
2. Create a temporary schema for your temporary catalog. Follow the instructions given above in “Creating a NonStop SQL/MX Backup Database From an Existing Primary Database”. The name of the temporary schema need not be identical to the name of the schema whose objects you want replicated, nor must the subvolume name be identical.
3. Create a temporary table in your temporary schema, including all partitions. The partition ranges must be identical to those of your primary table. Follow the guidelines outlined in “Creating a NonStop SQL/MX Backup Database From an Existing Primary Database”, above, except that you must create the temporary table on the primary system and on different volumes from those used for your primary objects.
4. Now load only the rows from the primary partition that you want synchronized into the temporary partition:

```
INSERT INTO backup-table SELECT * FROM primary-table
WHERE key-column >= 'F' AND key-column < 'K';
```

5. Use Backup to put the temporary table on tape.
6. Create a catalog on the backup system to correspond to the temporary catalog on the primary system.
7. Create the schema on the backup system using the same schema name and the same subvolume name as the schema for the temporary database.
8. Use RESTORE to place the temporary objects on the backup system, specifying the temporary catalog on the backup system as the target. See “Creating a NonStop SQL/MX Backup Database From an Existing Primary Database” (page 326) for details.
9. For the backup partition you want synchronized, delete all rows in that partition:

```
DELETE FROM name
WHERE key-column >= 'F' and key-column < 'K';
```

10. Now load only the rows from the temporary partition that you want synchronized into your backup table's partition:

```
INSERT INTO backup-table SELECT * FROM temporary-table
WHERE key-column >= 'F' AND key-column < 'K';
```

Backup Partition Does Not Already Exist

If a partition does not already exist on the backup system, you must create a partition on the backup system. See “Creating a NonStop SQL/MX Backup Database From an Existing Primary Database” (page 326) for instructions. Then you must insert the rows into the backup partition using either of the two methods described above. In this case you do not need to delete the rows from the backup partition because it is already empty.

Online Synchronization for a Single Partition

You must first determine the key ranges for each of your partitions.

Perform the steps described in “Online Database Synchronization With NonStop SQL/MX Objects” (page 328). In this case, you are only dealing with a single partition. If you create a temporary table on your primary system, you only need to populate the one partition with the INSERT statement shown in “Offline Synchronization for a Single Partition” (page 330).

If you synchronize the backup partition directly from the primary system, first delete all rows from the backup partition, as described in “Offline Synchronization for a Single Partition” (page 330), and then load the data into the backup partition using the INSERT statement also described in that topic.

Correcting Incorrect NonStop SQL/MX Name Mapping

Primary and Backup ANSI Catalog Are the Same

If you created the primary and backup catalogs and used the same name for both, you cannot use the REGISTER CATALOG command to make either catalog visible on the other system. So you cannot perform NonStop SQL/MX operations that refer to both catalogs, such as the method for populating NonStop SQL/MX objects for online database synchronization, nor use more advanced ANSI name support features in a future release.

To correct the problem:

1. Use the BACKUP utility to store one entire catalog on tape.
2. Drop the entire catalog.
3. Use the RESTORE utility to put the catalog back on disk, but specify a different target catalog name, taking care that you explicitly map all source Guardian file names to identical targets using the LOCATION clause.

Alternatively, you can drop the entire catalog, and then recreate it and all dependent schemas and objects.

Primary and Backup ANSI Schema Names Are Not the Same

If you created the primary and backup schemas to have different ANSI schema names, RDF replication can proceed, but you must remember that the backup database has a different schema name in the event of a planned or unplanned outage that requires you resume transaction activity on the backup system. Furthermore, you will not be able to use more advanced RDF ANSI name mapping features in subsequent releases of the NonStop SQL/MX product.

If you created the primary and backup schemas to have different names, use BACKUP and RESTORE to restore the entire schema to a different target schema, similar to the procedure described in “Primary and Backup ANSI Catalog Are the Same” (page 332). When you issue the RESTORE command, you must explicitly map all source Guardian file names to identical targets.

Schema Subvolume Names Are Not the Same

If you created the primary and backup schemas to have different subvolume names, underlying Guardian names for objects in the schemas will not match, and RDF will not replicate correctly.

To correct the problem:

1. Back up the entire schema.
2. Drop the schema, and re-create it using the correct subvolume name.
3. Restore the entire schema. When you issue the RESTORE command, you must explicitly map all source Guardian filenames to targets that have the corrected subvolume portion.

Guardian Filename Is Incorrect for Partition

You can modify all or any portion of an individual partition's Guardian file name by using the MODIFY TABLE MOVE PARTITION command.

Consideration for Creating Backup Tables

Currently, you cannot use the CREATE LIKE statement to create backup or temporary tables because CREATE LIKE does not preserve the original Guardian file names that are essential for RDF.

At some point in the future when ANSI names are supported, CREATE LIKE will be a viable means of creating backup or temporary tables, but until then the following discussion has the utmost significance. NonStop SQL/MX will store data in rows on disk in a private format, which does not necessarily correspond to the sequence in which the user specifies columns on CREATE TABLE. For example, this CREATE TABLE statement:

```
create table t
  (colx  varchar(100),
   coly  int);
```

will cause rows to be laid out on disk in this format:

```
row-header coly-data colx-data
```

Consider these two statements, which will produce a logically equivalent table:

```
create table t
  (colx  varchar(100));
```

```
alter table t add column coly int;
```

The above two statements will produce this row layout on disk:

```
row-header coly-data colx-data
```

Applying audit generated for one row layout to a table that has a different row layout will not work well.

Therefore, users must create backup tables in exactly the same way that the primary tables were created. If you have never added any additional columns to your primary table after it was created, use the CREATE LIKE statement. Of course, you must have registered your catalogs first. See “Creating NonStop SQL/MX Primary and Backup Databases” (page 323) for instructions.

If you have added columns to your primary table after it was created, you must take particular care when creating the backup table, and you should not use the CREATE LIKE statement. Rather, use the SHOWDDL command to see the order in which additional columns were added. You must then create the table on the backup system in the same way in which the primary table was created, and then add the additional columns to the backup table in the same order that they were added to the primary table.

Restoring to a Specific Location

See the RESTORE information in the *Guardian Disk and Tape Utilities Reference Manual* for the syntax of the RESTORE utility.

The LOCATION option allows you to change the physical location of NonStop SQL/MX objects as they are restored. The LOCATION option is used to specify one or more mappings.

If you specify LOCATION, you cannot specify PARTONLY ON.

For synchronizing RDF backup databases, you need to use the fully qualified name option:

```
\A.$data01.ZSDUTRWA.HEBFRW00 TO \B.$data01.ZSDUTRWA.HEBFRW00
```

or

```
\A.$data01.ZSDUTRWA.HEBFRW00 TO \B.$dataAA.ZSDUTRWA.HEBFRW00
```

Example

Assume:

1. Primary Node: \P Backup Node: \B
2. All volume names are identical on the primary and backup systems.
3. Primary catalog name: PCAT Backup catalog name: BCAT
4. You are restoring four tables from two different schemas in catalog PCAT.
5. Schema information:

Primary schema name	Schema subvolume	Backup schema name
PCAT.MYSCHEMA	ZSDAAAAA	BCAT.MYSCHEMA
PCAT.MYSCHEMAX	ZSDBBBBB	BCAT.MYSCHEMAX

1. Table and Index information:

Table or Index Name	Guardian Names for partitions and indexes
PCAT.MYSCHEMA.MYTABLE1 PCAT.MYSCHEMA.MYINDEX1	\P.\$data01.ZSDAAAAA.HEBFRW00 \P.\$data02.ZSDAAAAA.HEBFRX00 \P.\$data03.ZSDAAAAA.HEBFRY00 \P.\$data02.ZSDAAAAA.YREWPO00
PCAT.MYSCHEMA.MYTABLE2 PCAT.MYSCHEMA.MYINDEX2	\P.\$data01.ZSDAAAAA.GABCDE00 \P.\$data02.ZSDAAAAA.GABCRF00 \P.\$data03.ZSDAAAAA.GABCRG00 \P.\$data02.ZSDAAAAA.YZZWPO00
PCAT.MYSCHEMAX.MYTABLE1 PCAT.MYSCHEMAX.MYINDEX1	\P.\$data01.ZSDBBBBB.FGABCD00 \P.\$data02.ZSDBBBBB.FGABCE00 \P.\$data03.ZSDBBBBB.FGABCF00 \P.\$data03.ZSDBBBBB.IGABCD00
PCAT.MYSCHEMAX.MYTABLE2 PCAT.MYSCHEMAX.MYINDEX2	\P.\$data04.ZSDBBBBB.EFGHIJ00 \P.\$data03.ZSDBBBBB.DEFGHI00

2. The RESTORE command would be:

```
RESTORE $tape,
( MX
  ( ( TBL PCAT.MYSCHEMA.MYTABLE1, TGT CATALOG BCAT ),
    ( TBL PCAT.MYSCHEMA.MYTABLE2, TGT CATALOG BCAT ),
    ( TBL PCAT.MYSCHEMAX.MYTABLE1, TGT CATALOG BCAT ),
    ( TBL PCAT.MYSCHEMAX.MYTABLE2, TGT CATALOG BCAT )
  ),
  LOCATION
  (
    \P.$data01.ZSDAAAAA.HEBFRW00 TO \B.$data01.ZSDAAAAA.HEBFRW00,
    \P.$data02.ZSDAAAAA.HEBFRX00 TO \B.$data02.ZSDAAAAA.HEBFRX00,
    \P.$data03.ZSDAAAAA.HEBFRY00 TO \B.$data03.ZSDAAAAA.HEBFRY00,
    \P.$data02.ZSDAAAAA.YREWPO00 TO \B.$data02.ZSDAAAAA.YREWPO00,

    \P.$data01.ZSDAAAAA.GABCDE00 TO \B.$data01.ZSDAAAAA.GABCDE00,
    \P.$data02.ZSDAAAAA.GABCRF00 TO \B.$data02.ZSDAAAAA.GABCRF00,
    \P.$data03.ZSDAAAAA.GABCRG00 TO \B.$data03.ZSDAAAAA.GABCRG00,
    \P.$data02.ZSDAAAAA.YZZWPO00 TO \B.$data02.ZSDAAAAA.YZZWPO00,

    \P.$data01.ZSDBBBBB.FGABCD00 TO \B.$data01.ZSDBBBBB.FGABCD00,
    \P.$data02.ZSDBBBBB.FGABCE00 TO \B.$data02.ZSDBBBBB.FGABCE00,
    \P.$data03.ZSDBBBBB.FGABCF00 TO \B.$data03.ZSDBBBBB.FGABCF00,
    \P.$data03.ZSDBBBBB.IGABCD00 TO \B.$data03.ZSDBBBBB.IGABCD00,

    \P.$data04.ZSDBBBBB.EFGHIJ00 TO \B.$data04.ZSDBBBBB.EFGHIJ00,
    \P.$data03.ZSDBBBBB.DEFGHI00 TO \B.$data03.ZSDBBBBB.DEFGHI00
  ), INDEXES INCLUDED
);
```

As described in “Creating a NonStop SQL/MX Backup Database From an Existing Primary Database” (page 326), you can use the MXGNAMES utility to automatically generate the correct LOCATION clauses, substituting the backup node name as needed. However, you must remap any nonmatching volume names in these locations manually.

Comparing NonStop SQL/MX Tables

While the unsupported RDFCHEK utility program can be used to compare Enscribe files or NonStop SQL/MP tables, it cannot be used to compare NonStop SQL/MX tables. If you need to compare a NonStop SQL/MX table on your primary against a NonStop SQL/MX table on your backup system, for example, one method of doing so is as follows:

1. Use the NonStop SQL/MX Select statement to select all rows in the primary table, and then store them in an Enscribe entry-sequenced file.
2. Use the NonStop SQL/MX Select statement to select all rows in the backup table, and then store them in another Enscribe entry-sequenced file.
3. Use RDFCHEK to compare the two entry-sequenced files.

Alternatively, you can use the unsupported utility MD5CHEK to compare NonStop SQL/MX tables without using an intermediate entry-sequenced file. The online help for MD5CHEK, which you can view by running MD5CHEK with no parameters, describes how to use MD5CHEK.

17 Zero Lost Transactions (ZLT)

Zero Lost Transactions (ZLT), functionality that is available only with the RDF/ZLT product, ensures that no transactions that commit on the primary system are lost on the RDF backup system if that primary system is downed by an unplanned outage. RDF achieves this through the use of remote mirroring for the relevant TMF audit trail volume(s). That is, one mirror of an audit trail volume remains local to the primary system, but the other mirror is located at a remote standby site.

When a primary system is downed by some unplanned outage or disaster, there might be some audit data that the extractor on the primary system was unable to send to the backup system before the outage. With ZLT functionality, RDF fetches all remaining audit data from the remote mirror, thereby guaranteeing no loss of committed data during the RDF takeover operation.

If a remote mirror is not available at the time of the outage, ZLT functionality cannot be guaranteed. ZLT functionality can be guaranteed only if you enable the TMF CommitHoldMode capability on your primary system by including the `COMMITHOLDMODE` parameter in a `TMFCOM ALTER AUDITTRAIL` command. When CommitHoldMode is enabled, TMF suspends all commit operations if a remote mirror fails. For information about using the TMF CommitHoldMode capability, see [“Using CommitHoldMode”](#) (page 340) and the *TMF Reference Manual*.

If all of the remote mirrors are functioning, ZLT functionality has no impact on normal RDF operations. If you must perform an RDF takeover operation, however, there are additional steps involved that can lengthen the time to perform the overall operation. In return, you get the ZLT guarantee of not losing any transactions that committed on the primary system. When CommitHoldMode is enabled and a remote mirror fails, all active transactions are prevented from aborting or committing. That dramatically impacts transaction processing on your primary system. For more about this situation, see [“Using CommitHoldMode”](#) (page 340).

How It Works

One mirror of each audit trail disk volume is removed to a remote location from the local mirror. The distance is limited by the chosen disk technology and acceptable communications latency. Thus, each audit trail volume is still mapped to a mirrored pair of disks, but one of the disks is physically removed. For the remote mirror, an alternate cable must be present so that this mirror can be attached to a standby system in the event of a takeover. That standby system can be either the backup system itself or a separate system geographically removed from the primary and backup systems. If you are using a separate standby system, it must be connected to the backup system by way of Expand lines (of unlimited length).

Figure 17-1 shows the configuration where a single system serves as both the standby and backup systems, and the remote mirror is located at the standby/backup site.

Figure 17-1 ZLT Configuration With a Single Standby/Backup System

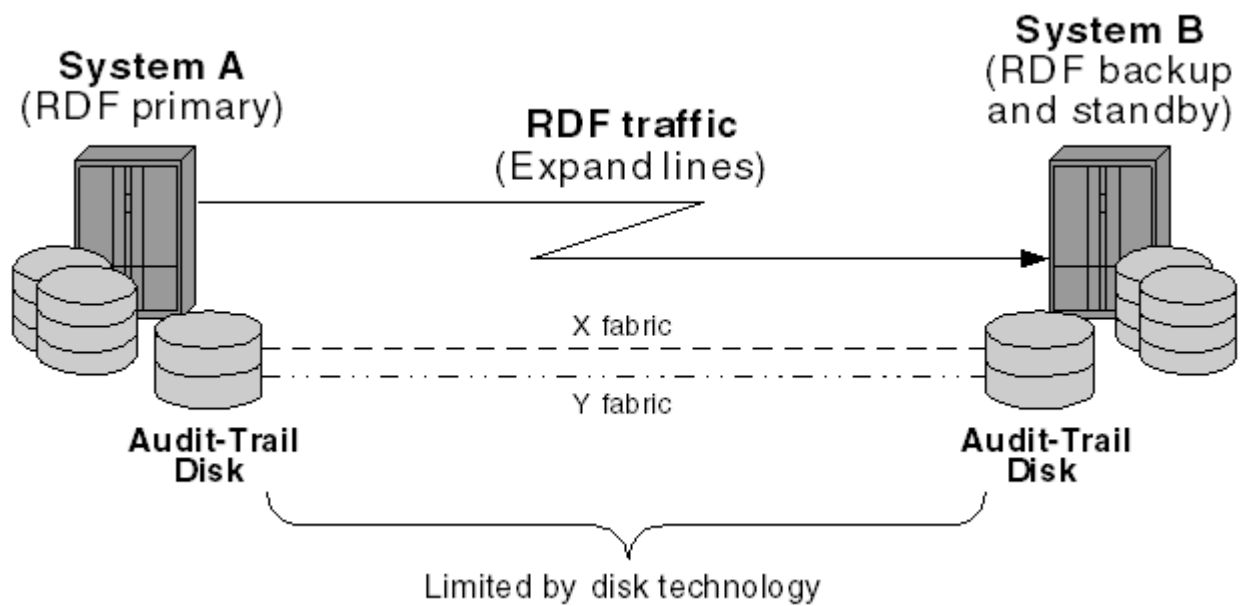


Figure 17-2 shows the configuration where a single system serves as both the standby and backup systems, and the remote mirror is located at an intermediate site.

Figure 17-2 ZLT Configuration With a Single Standby/Backup System and With the Remote Mirror Located at an Intermediate Site

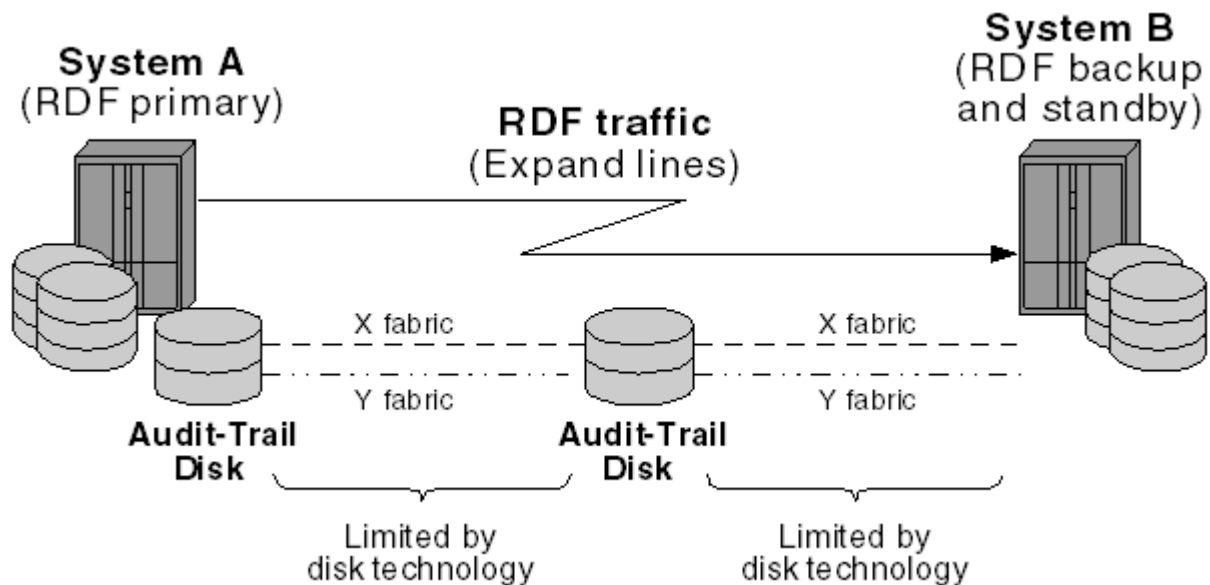
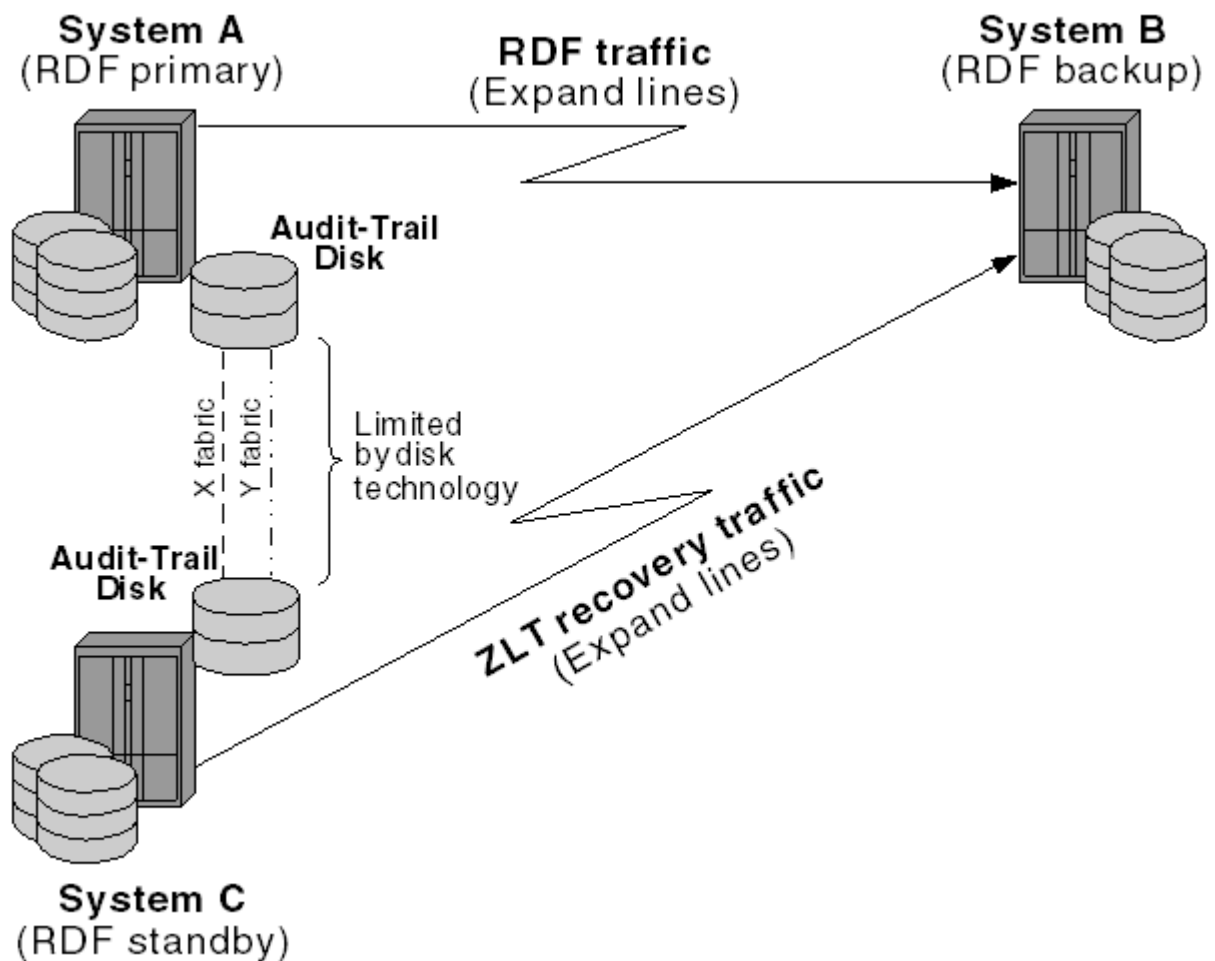


Figure 17-3 shows the configuration where individual standby and backup systems are located at separate sites.

Figure 17-3 ZLT Configuration With Standby and Backup Systems Located at Separate Sites



If the standby and backup systems are not one and the same, you must remember to set up remote passwords between the standby and backup systems. You must do so with the same *userid* that has control over starting and stopping RDF.

If you lose your primary system due to an unplanned outage, you connect the remote mirrors to the standby system, and then initiate a takeover operation on the backup system. Before performing the takeover, RDF reads the remaining audit records from the remote mirrors, and processes those audit records. Thus, RDF can read absolutely all of the audit records that were generated on the primary system prior to the system failure, and no committed data is lost.



NOTE: You must connect the remote mirrors to the standby system before starting the RDF takeover operation; otherwise, the takeover aborts because RDF cannot find the disks you configured in RDF for remote mirroring. In such a case, you should connect the disks and then restart the RDF takeover operation.

If you lose the primary system to a disaster and that disaster does not affect the standby and backup systems, no committed transactions are lost because RDF on the backup system can fetch all missing audit records from the remote mirrors. If a regional disaster takes down both the primary and the standby systems, however, you can still resume business on the backup system but without the ZLT guarantee. Some transactions committed on the primary system might be lost.

Using CommitHoldMode

If you want absolute ZLT protection, you must configure your audit trails with the COMMITHOLDMODE attribute set to on. Doing so causes each write to the audit trail to be directed to the remote audit trail disk first. If that write fails for any reason, TMF activates commit-hold mode.

If CommitHoldMode mode is activated, TMF stops all further commit operations. Because transactions on the primary system cannot commit or abort while the remote mirror is unavailable, you achieve ZLT protection if you should lose your primary system while commit-hold mode is activated. When such an event occurs, however, transaction processing on the primary system effectively stops.

TMF provides another configuration attribute associated with CommitHoldMode: COMMITHOLDTIMER. If CommitHoldMode is activated, the COMMITHOLDTIMER value specifies how long you want CommitHoldMode to remain activated and what to do when that time is reached. The parameters are:

```
COMMITHOLDTIMER {timeout [ON TIMEOUT {SUSPEND|CRASH}] | -1 }
```

If timeout is set to a positive value (from 5 seconds to 24 hours) and CommitHoldMode becomes activated, all commit processing stops until either you correct the problem that caused activation of COMMITHOLDMODE or the timeout value is reached. If the timeout value is reached, TMF performs the action specified by the ON TIMEOUT option (SUSPEND or failure).

CommitHoldMode affects transaction processing on your primary system dramatically when a remote mirror becomes unavailable. If a remote mirror becomes unavailable, you must choose whether you want ZLT protection or the resumption of transaction processing.

If ZLT protection is critical to your disaster recovery plan, specify ON TIMEOUT CRASH. Crashing TMF under these circumstances provides ZLT protection.

If it is important to resume transaction processing on the primary system, specify ON TIMEOUT SUSPEND. Suspending commit-hold mode under these circumstances, however, deprives you of ZLT protection should you lose the primary system to some unplanned outage.

If you set timeout to -1, TMF maintains an activated commit-hold state indefinitely until you correct the issue causing the activation, you manually suspend commit-hold mode, or you turn off commit-hold mode.

The default timeout value is 60 seconds and the default action upon reaching the timeout value is SUSPEND (which means loss of ZLT protection).

Hardware Setup

To set up RDF for ZLT with remote mirror capability you must have established your hardware setup first. That is, you must set up remote mirroring for every audit trail volume that relates to the RDF environment before you configure RDF.



NOTE: Because the remote mirrors will be connected to your standby system in the event of an unplanned takeover, you should choose disk names that will not conflict with disks already connected to the standby system.

ZLT is currently only supported with an HP StorageWorks XP disk array.

Assigning CPUs on the Standby System

By default, the same CPUs configured for each extractor on the primary system are used for the corresponding extractor on the standby system, provided that both the necessary primary and backup CPUs are available on the standby system.

If the necessary primary or backup CPU for an extractor is not available on the standby system, the RDF monitor process selects from those CPUs that are available. If the monitor must select

the primary CPU for all extractors, it puts the primary processes of the extractors in as many different CPUs as possible to achieve load balancing provided there are enough CPUs. If, for example, you have six extractors configured, but you only have two CPUs on your standby system, the monitor places the primary processes of three extractors on one CPU and the primary processes for the other three extractors on the other CPU. If the monitor process selects the primary CPU of an extractor and the configured backup CPU is not available on the standby system, then the extractor does not run as a process pair; it only has the primary process.

RDF Configuration Attributes

RDF Remote Mirror Configuration

When declaring the attributes of the RDF configuration record, you use this optional attribute to specify whether ZLT is enabled or disabled:

```
SET RDF REMOTE MIRROR [ ON | OFF ]
```

The default is off. If this attribute is off, normal RDF operations are unchanged, as is execution of the RDF TAKEOVER command. If this attribute is on, then you must also set other RDF and extractor attributes, and the TAKEOVER operation has an additional step: connecting the remote mirrors to the standby system.

RDF Remote Standby Configuration

If you set the RDF REMOTE MIRROR attribute on, you must also set the system name of a standby system. This standby system can be either a third system, apart from the primary and backup systems, or it can be the backup system itself. The syntax for specifying the standby system name is:

```
SET RDF REMOTE STANDBY node-name
```

node-name must be a valid name and must identify a system in your current Expand network. If you set the standby to a different node than your backup system, the specified system must be accessible to the backup system.

RDF Configuration Record Validation

When you ADD the RDF configuration record, these checks are performed:

- If you set the RDF REMOTE MIRROR attribute on, but did not issue a SET RDF REMOTE STANDBY command, the ADD command fails.
- If you set the RDF REMOTE MIRROR attribute off and issued a SET RDF REMOTE STANDBY command, the ADD command fails.

ZLT is only a feature of the RDF/ZLT product: you cannot add the RDF record with ZLT attributes if you do not have the RDF/ZLT product installed.



NOTE: The hardware configuration for use of a remote mirror on the audit trail is not part of the RDF configuration, nor is it part of any RDF validation. You must have placed the remote mirror in a location where you can connect it to the standby system at the time of a takeover. If you fail to do this, the RDF takeover operation fails until you have connected the remote mirror to the standby system or turned off remote mirroring. See “ALTER RDF Remote Mirror Configuration” (page 342).

Extractor Audit-Trail Configuration

When configuring RDF for ZLT, you must add the complete set of audit trail volumes to which RDF-protected data volumes are configured. For example, if your RDF configuration only protects data volumes configured to the Master Audit Trail (MAT), you must specify all audit trail volumes that are configured in TMF for the MAT (active, overflow, and restore). Because each audit trail

can have up to 16 active, 16 restore, and 16 overflow volumes, an extractor list can contain up to 48 volume names. Set each volume name:

```
SET EXTRACTOR VOLUME volume-name
```

volume-name must be a valid volume name specified in the current TMF configuration on your primary system. Use a SET statement for each individual volume. You do not need to specify whether the volume is an active volume, restore volume, or overflow volume; you merely specify the volume name. The list of volumes you specify is placed in the extractor configuration record.

When you ADD the extractor attributes, RDFCOM checks to ensure that each configured volume is a valid volume. If any are not, the ADD command fails with an error for the first volume name that is either an invalid name or does not correspond to a valid volume.

ALTER RDF Remote Mirror Configuration

You can alter the RDF REMOTE MIRROR configuration attribute to turn ZLT protection on and off as needed. If entered on the primary system, you must stop RDF, alter the attribute, and then restart RDF. If the primary system is no longer available and you are preparing to start the RDF takeover operation, you can alter the attribute on the backup system. The syntax is:

```
ALTER RDF REMOTE MIRROR [ ON | OFF ]
```

If you issue the ALTER command on the backup system while the network is down and the primary system is still up, you must then issue the ALTER command again on the primary system when the network comes back up; otherwise, the change will not be kept on either the primary or the backup system.

If one of your remote mirrors fails during normal operations on your primary system, you might want to turn the RDF REMOTE MIRROR configuration attribute off on the primary system so that if you need to execute a takeover operation you can complete the takeover as quickly as possible. Remember, if you have the RDF REMOTE MIRROR configuration attribute turned off at the time of a takeover, you do not have ZLT protection. When the troublesome mirror comes back up and is fully revived so that it is current with the local mirror, you then re-enable ZLT on the primary to reinstate ZLT protection.

ZLT Takeover Operations



CAUTION: At the time of a ZLT takeover, HP strongly recommends that before connecting the remote mirrors to the standby system, you either disconnect the remote mirrors from the primary RDF system, or disable the XP disk array Logical Unit (LUN) from the primary system. If the remote mirror's LUN remains shared and active with both the primary and the standby RDF systems, it might cause data corruption on the remote mirror disk.

If ZLT is configured and enabled when a TAKEOVER command is issued on the backup system, the overall takeover operation executes in two phases.



NOTE: Before issuing the TAKEOVER command, you must have connected the remote mirrors to the standby system. When the remote mirrors are connected to the standby system, the audit records on the remote mirrors have no relationship to the audit trail on the standby system. The remote mirrors are not part of the TMF configuration of the standby system.

Phase 1 (ZLT Processing)

RDFCOM stops all RDF processes on the backup system. If the standby and backup systems are not the same system, RDFCOM copies the RDF configuration file on the backup system to the standby system. RDFCOM then starts an RDF monitor process on the backup system. That monitor then starts the extractor(s) on the standby system and the receiver(s), purger, and updater(s) on the backup system.

Each extractor logs RDF event 901 reporting it is started for ZLT processing, starts a special audit-fixup process to fix up the last file in the audit trail (see “The Audit-Fixup Process” below), and sends all remaining audit records to its receiver. When an extractor reaches the end of its audit trail, it sends a “ZLT finished” indication to its receiver, and logs RDF event 900 reporting it has completed its ZLT task. When all extractors are finished, they are terminated and deleted. Upon receiving the “ZLT finished” indication, each receiver logs RDF event 903 reporting it has completed its ZLT task, and tells its updater to commence normal takeover operations. When all receivers have finished their ZLT processing, the overall takeover operation proceeds to phase 2.

The Audit-Fixup Process

The audit-fixup process only ever runs on the remote standby system in an RDF/ZLT environment and typically lasts only a few seconds. The audit-fixup process performs file-fixup operations on audit trail files on the remote mirror that have been left with the CRASHOPEN flag set following a failure of the RDF primary node. The audit-fixup process is started by an extractor whenever the extractor attempts to read an audit trail file that has the CRASHOPEN flag set. Unlike the other RDF processes, the audit-fixup process does not persist for the duration of the RDF environment. The audit-fixup process is started on demand by the extractor process, and terminates as soon as it has performed the file-fixup processing on the audit trail file.

This process does not run as process pair, but the extractor will start a new audit-fixup process if the audit-fixup process is terminated due to a processor failure. No configuration parameters are required for the audit-fixup process. The audit-fixup process runs in the same CPU as the extractor primary process with a process priority one less than the extractor priority.

Phase 2 (Takeover Processing)

The initial part of Phase 2 takeover processing is performed by the purger in building the undo lists. When an updater reaches the end-of-file of its image trail, it asks the purger for an undo list. (The purger cannot start building the undo lists until all receivers have finished their ZLT processing.) The updaters use those lists to back out any audit for transactions that were unresolved on the primary system at the time of the unplanned outage.

ZLT Events

Event Management System (EMS) events are logged to report the progress of the ZLT operation in the various RDF processes. For descriptions of these messages, see messages 900 through 903 in Appendix C (page 365).

Error Conditions

If the standby system is different from the backup system and the monitor cannot reach the standby system to start the extractor(s), the takeover operation aborts. If that happens, you must bring the standby system up (and make sure it is available to the backup system by way of the Expand network) and then reissue the TAKEOVER command.

If an extractor cannot find an audit file it needs because the disk has not yet been mounted, the extractor abends and the takeover operation aborts. If you have not yet mounted the disk the extractor needs, you must mount it before reissuing the TAKEOVER command. If the remote mirror cannot be mounted and you want to do the takeover without the ZLT guarantee, you can alter the RDF REMOTE MIRROR attribute on the backup system to off. When you reissue the TAKEOVER command, the takeover then proceeds as a normal takeover operation (without ZLT).

STATUS RDF

You cannot issue the STATUS RDF command from the standby system; it must only be issued from the backup system.

If a takeover does not involve ZLT, the extractor is not included in the STATUS display during an RDF takeover operation. With ZLT configured and enabled, the STATUS RDF display changes during an RDF takeover. During phase 1 (ZLT processing), status is displayed for the extractor(s), consisting of process name, sno, rba, cpus, error. The RTD field, however, is left blank.

RDFCOM INFO and SHOW Commands

The INFO command output includes the RDF and extractor configuration attributes for ZLT, as does the output for the SHOW command.

Old Audit-Trail Files

When a ZLT takeover operation completes, you should not purge the old audit trail files on the remote mirrors connected to the standby system if you believe you can recover the primary system. The old audit trail files are necessary for recovering the primary system.

If you can't recover the primary system, you might purge the files because they have no further use.

Because the old audit trail files are not managed by TMF on the standby system, if you choose to purge them you must do so manually using Snoop.

Recovering the Primary System After an RDF ZLT Takeover

If you had to execute the RDF takeover operation and you are able to bring your former primary system back online, you must perform these tasks to recover the database on your former primary system.

1. Determine which disks (the local disk on the primary system or the remote mirror on the standby system) for all audit trails in the RDF configuration received the most audit records. The example that follows shows how to do so for the MAT. If your RDF configuration includes one or more auxiliary audit trails, you must do the same for each auxiliary audit trail.



NOTE: if you had CommitHoldMode configured ON at the time the primary system failed, then you can omit this step because the mirrors on the remote system will either have more data or the same data as the local mirrors connected to the primary system. This first step is only useful if you had turned off CommitHoldMode before the primary system failed.

On the ZLT standby system, use SNOOP READAUDIT to read the final file in the MAT, positioning at EOF and reading in reverse order for one record. This is sample output from READAUDIT with the MAT position in bold:

```
* SEQNO = 8, RBA = 107628804, RBN = 26276 *
AC^RECORD^LENGTH=108, AC_VERSION=7, VERSION_FLAGS=000000 000000, PRIMARY^CPU=0
AUDITING^PROCESS=TMP, VSN=000000 000000 000004 077334
TRANSID=000000 000000 000000 000000, ACTTX=0, TYPE=1033 (DATAVOL STATE)
CREATING^SYSTEM=190, VOLNAME=$DATA13, STATE=8, STATE^TEXT=STARTED
```

On the former primary system, the last file in the MAT might have been left in the crashopen state. You can determine that by issuing this command:

```
$system system 3> fileinfo $*.ztmfat.*
```

```
$audit.ztmfat
```

	CODE	EOF	LAST MODIFIED	OWNER	RWEP	PExt	SExt
aa000001	134	125825024	01feb2005 10:15	255,255	gggg	3840	3840
aa000002	134	125829120	01feb2005 10:20	255,255	gggg	3840	3840
aa000003	134	125829120	01feb2005 10:24	255,255	gggg	3840	3840
aa000004	134	125808640	01feb2005 10:31	255,255	gggg	3840	3840
aa000005	134	125829120	01feb2005 10:38	255,255	gggg	3840	3840
aa000006	134	125829120	01feb2005 10:45	255,255	gggg	3840	3840
aa000007	134	125829120	01feb2005 10:54	255,255	gggg	3840	3840
aa000008	134	125829120	01feb2005 11:04	255,255	gggg	3840	3840
aa000009	134	125829120	01feb2005 11:14	255,255	gggg	3840	3840
aa000008	? 134	107630592	01feb2005 11:04	255,255	gggg	3840	3840

The file marked with the question mark must be fixed. Use the SNOOP FIXUPEOF command to reset the crashopen flag. Then use SNOOP READAUDIT to read the final record. You cannot use the MERGE option when specifying the name of the audit trail file. Because the TMF product is not started, attempting to use the MERGE option results in an error. Using the example of the MAT above, specify the MAT volume and subvolume when SNOOP issues this prompt:

```
Audit trail name or 'MERGE' (MERGE): $AUDIT.ZTMFAT.AA
```

Compare the MAT position of the two records to determine which disk has the most audit records.

2. Recover the database on your former primary system. How you do this depends upon whether local disks or remote mirrors received the most audit records (which you determined in the preceding step).

CommitHoldMode ON

If all of the remote mirrors (MAT and all auxiliary audit trails) have more or the same number of audit records as the local disks (this typically happens if CommitHoldMode was configured and enabled on the primary system when the outage occurred):

- a. Issue SCF STOP *\$audit-vol* on the former primary system (this stops the local disk).
- b. Issue SCF STOP *\$audit-vol* on the ZLT standby system (this stops the remote mirror on the ZLT standby system).
- c. Issue SCF START *\$audit-vol -M* (this starts only the remote mirror).

- d. Once the remote mirror is started, issue SCF START \$audit-vol (which causes the revive from -M to -P)
- e. Start TMF. When startup is complete, the database on the primary system contains the same data that the database on the backup system had at the conclusion of the RDF takeover operation.

CommitHoldMode OFF or Disabled

If any local disk (the MAT or any auxiliary audit trail) has more audit records than the corresponding remote mirror (this can only happen if CommitHold was not configured or was configured but disabled on the primary system when the outage occurred):

1. Issue SCF STOP \$audit-vol on the ZLT standby system (this stops the remote mirror on the ZLT standby system).
 2. Connect the remote mirror to the former primary system.
 3. Issue SCF START \$audit-vol (this causes a revive from -P to -M).
 4. Start TMF.
 5. Initiate TMF file recovery with the MAT position option, where the position you specify is the MAT position reported in the RDF 888 event on the backup system. The RDF event 888 is logged when the takeover operation completes.
3. For information about how to return your application processing to the former primary system, see “Carrying Out a Planned Switchover” (page 136).

ZLT and RDF Networks

If you have an RDF network and also want ZLT protection on any of the nodes in that network, then every node that participates in a user transaction must be configured for ZLT protection.

For example, assume that systems \A and \B are both configured as nodes within an RDF network, and that system \B is also configured for ZLT protection.

If system \A starts a transaction and any updates associated with that transaction are done on system \B, then system \A also must be configured for ZLT protection.

STOP TMF Operations

Within an RDF environment that is configured for ZLT processing, STOP TMF operations are handled as follows:

During Normal Operations

If updating is off, the TMF shutdown audit-record is not stored in image trails, and the monitor, extractor(s), receiver(s), and purger RDF processes stop.

If updating is on, the shutdown audit-record is stored in image trails, and all RDF processes stop.

During ZLT Takeover Processing

During Phase 1 of the ZLT Takeover processing, the shutdown audit-record is not stored in image trails, and the RDF processes continue running.

The goal of ZLT processing is to catch up data as quickly as possible. Thus, there is no point in stopping RDF processes if a STOP TMF record is found in the master audit trail (MAT).

SQL Shared Access DDL Operations

Normal support for SQL shared access DDL operations is provided during ZLT takeover operations:

- The updaters are guaranteed to stop at the correct locations.
- If some of the updaters terminated prematurely while a shared access operation is in the system, only those that had not completed the task are restarted during the next takeover operation.

A RDF Commands Quick Reference

The syntax rules for the RDFCOM and RDFSCAN commands, explained in detail in [Chapter 8](#) (page 187) and [Chapter 9](#) (page 261), are summarized in this appendix. This appendix, which is written for system managers and operators, summarizes the syntax descriptions for:

- The command to run RDFCOM from the Guardian user interface to the NonStop operating system. See “[RDFCOM Run Syntax](#)”.
- The RDFCOM commands, listed in alphabetical order, beginning with the ADD command. See “[RDFCOM Commands Quick Reference](#)” (page 349)
- The RDFSCAN commands, listed in alphabetical order, beginning with the AT command. See “[RDFSCAN Commands Quick Reference](#)” (page 357).
- The file names and process identifiers that are common parameters in many RDFCOM and RDFSCAN commands. See “[File Names and Process Identifiers](#)” (page 358).

RDFCOM Run Syntax

RDFCOM runs under the Guardian user interface (normally the TACL command interpreter) to the NonStop operating system. The RDFCOM command starts a session that lets you enter RDFCOM commands interactively, noninteractively, or through a command file.

Where issued: primary or backup system.

Security: Any user.

```
RDFCOM [/[IN command-file ] [,OUT output-file ]/          ]
        [control-subvolume] ; [command [; command ]...]
```

For more detailed information about RDFCOM commands, see [Chapter 8](#) (page 187).

RDFCOM Commands Quick Reference

ADD

The ADD command applies configuration parameter values for the specified process or other object to the RDF configuration file.

Where Issued: Primary system only.

Security: Super-user group member

```
ADD {RDF
    {MONITOR
    {EXTRACTOR
    {RECEIVER
    {IMAGETRAIL $volume
    {PURGER
    {RDFNET
    {NETWORK
    {[VOLUME] $volume
    {TRIGGER trigger-type }
```

ALTER

The ALTER command changes the setting of the specified parameter in the RDF configuration file to the supplied value.

Where Issued: Primary system only except for the Takeover Trigger that can be altered on primary or backup system.

Security: Super-user group member.

```
ALTER {RDF      global-option
    {MONITOR    monitor-option
    {EXTRACTOR  extractor-option }
```

```

{RECEIVER  receiver-option  }
{PURGER    purger-option    }
{RDFNET    netsync-option    }
{TRIGGER    {trigger-type } {trigger-option } }
{VOLUME     updater-option   }

```

COPYAUDIT

The COPYAUDIT command copies missing audit records from the backup system that has the **most** to the backup system that has the **least**. This command is only for use with the triple contingency feature.

Where Issued: Backup system only (the backup system with the **least** amount of audit records).

Security: Super-user group member with remote password from the primary system to the backup.

COPYAUDIT, REMOTESYS *name*, REMOTECONTROLSUBVOL *subvol*

DELETE

The DELETE command deletes the entire configuration record for the specified secondary image trail or updater process from the RDF configuration file.

Where Issued: Primary system only.

Security: Super-user group member.

```

DELETE {IMAGETRAIL $volume} [ATINDEX audittrail-index-number]
      { [VOLUME] $volume }
      { $volume }
      { TRIGGER type }

```

EXIT

The EXIT command ends your current RDFCOM session.

Where Issued: Primary or backup system.

Security: Any user.

EXIT

FC

The FC command enables you to selectively examine, edit, or repeat a previously issued RDFCOM command.

Where Issued: Primary or backup system.

Security: Any user.

```

{FC} [text]
{? } [text]
{! } [text]

```

HELP

The HELP command displays explanatory text about RDFCOM commands and RDF messages.

Where Issued: Primary or backup system.

Security: Any user.

```

HELP [ABBREVIATIONS ]
     [ALL ]
     [command ]
     [RDF-msg-number ]

```

HISTORY

The HISTORY command displays the ten most recently issued RDFCOM commands (including the HISTORY command itself).

Where Issued: Primary or backup system.

Security: Any user.

HISTORY

INFO

The INFO command displays the current configuration parameter values from the configuration file for the specified process or other object.

Where Issued: Primary or backup system.

Security: Any user.

```
INFO { * } [ATINDEX audittrail-index-num]  
    { IMAGETRAIL } [,OBEYFORM]  
    { RDF }  
    { MONITOR }  
    { EXTRACTOR }  
    { RECEIVER }  
    { RDFNET }  
    { NETWORK }  
    { PURGER }  
    { TRIGGER trigger-type }  
    { VOLUME * }  
    { [VOLUME] $volume }
```

INITIALIZE RDF

The INITIALIZE RDF command creates the RDF configuration and context files for establishment of a new RDF configuration. By using the INITTIME parameter, you can perform the product initialization online. By using the SYNCHDBTIME parameter, you can initialize the product online and synchronize the entire database online.

Where Issued: Primary system only.

Security: Super-user group member.

```
INITIALIZE RDF , BACKUPSYSTEM backup-system-name  
[ , SUFFIX suffix-character ]  
[ , TIMESTAMP <day><mon><year><hour>:<min>]  
[ , INITTIME <day><mon><year><hour>:<min> | NOW ]  
[ , SYNCHDBTIME <day><mon><year><hour>:<min> ]  
[!]  
[#]
```

OBEY

The OBEY command executes a series of commands entered in an OBEY command file.

Where Issued: Primary or backup system.

Security: Any user.

```
OBEY [\system.] [$volume.] [subvolume.] file
```

OPEN

The OPEN command specifies the RDF control subvolume to which subsequent commands in this RDFCOM session apply.

Where Issued: Primary or backup system.

Security: Any user.

```
OPEN control-subvolume
```

OUT

The OUT command redirects the output of the current RDFCOM session to the specified device or file.

Where Issued: Primary or backup system.

Security: Any user.

OUT [*\system.*] [*\$volume.*] [*subvolume.*] [*file*]

RESET

The RESET command resets all configuration parameters for the specified process to their default values within the RDF configuration memory table. The corresponding parameters within the configuration file do not change, however, unless you issue an ADD command.

Where Issued: Primary system only.

Security: Super-user group member.

```
RESET {RDF          }
      {MONITOR      }
      {EXTRACTOR    }
      {RECEIVER     }
      {VOLUME       }
      {IMAGETRAIL   }
      {PURGER       }
      {RDFNET       }
      {NETWORK      }
      {TRIGGER      }
```

SET EXTRACTOR

The SET EXTRACTOR command sets the designated configuration parameters for the extractor process to the supplied values within the RDF configuration memory table. The supplied values are not applied to the RDF configuration file, however, until you issue an ADD command.

Where Issued: Primary system only.

Security: Super-user group member.

SET EXTRACTOR *extractor-option*

where *extractor-option* is:

```
{CPUS primary-CPU : backup-CPU }
{PRIORITY priority              }
{PROCESS process-name          }
{ATINDEX audittrail-index-number}
{RTDWARNING rtd-time           }
{VOLUME volume-name            }
```

SET IMAGETRAIL

The SET IMAGETRAIL command associates an image trail with a specific audit trail on the primary system. The supplied value is not applied to the RDF configuration file, however, until you issue an ADD IMAGETRAIL command.

Where Issued: Primary system only.

Security: Super-user group member.

SET IMAGETRAIL ATINDEX *audittrail-index-number*

SET MONITOR

The SET MONITOR command sets the designated configuration parameters for the monitor process to the supplied values within the RDF configuration memory table. The supplied values are not applied to the RDF configuration file, however, until you issue an ADD command.

Where Issued: Primary system only.

Security: Super-user group member.

SET MONITOR *monitor-option*

where *monitor-option* is:

```

{CPUS primary-CPU : backup-CPU }
{PRIORITY priority                }
{PROCESS process-name             }

```

SET NETWORK

The SET NETWORK command sets RDF network configuration parameters within the RDF configuration memory table. The supplied values are not applied to the RDF configuration file, however, until you issue an ADD NETWORK command.

Where Issued: Primary system only.

Security: Super-user group member.

SET NETWORK *network-option*

where *network-option* is:

```

{PRIMARYSYSTEM primary-system      }
{BACKUPSYSTEM backup-system        }
{REMOTECONTROLSUBVOLUME subvolume  }
{PNETTXVOLUME $volume               }

```

SET PURGER

The SET PURGER command sets the designated configuration parameters for the purger process to the supplied values within the RDF configuration memory table. The supplied values are not applied to the RDF configuration file, however, until you issue an ADD command.

Where Issued: Primary system only.

Security: Super-user group member.

SET PURGER *purger-option*

where *purger-option* is:

```

{CPUS primary-CPU : backup-CPU }
{PRIORITY priority                }
{PROCESS process-name             }
{PURGETIME mins                     }
{RETAINCOUNT num                  }

```

SET RDF

The SET RDF command sets the designated RDF global configuration parameters to the supplied values within the RDF configuration memory table. The supplied values are not applied to the RDF configuration file, however, until you issue an ADD command.

Where Issued: Primary system only.

Security: Super-user group member.

SET RDF *global-option*

where *global-option* is:

```

{LOGFILE $ems-collector-name      }
{UPDATERDELAY delay-time         }
{UPDATERTXTIME tx-time           }
{UPDATERRTDWARNING rtd-time      }
{UPDATEROPEN {PROTECTED | SHARED | PROTECTED OPEN} }
{SOFTWARELOC $volume.subvolume   }
{NETWORK {ON | OFF}                }
{NETWORKMASTER {ON | OFF}          }
{UPDATEREXCEPTION {ON | OFF}       }
{LOCKSTEPVOL $volume              }
{REPLICATEPURGE {ON | OFF}         }
{REMOTE MIRROR {ON | OFF}          }
{REMOTE STANDBY {node-name}       }
{OWNER {owner-id}                 }

```

SET RDFNET

The SET RDFNET command sets the designated configuration parameters for the RDFNET process to the supplied values within the RDF configuration memory table. The supplied values are not applied to the RDF configuration file, however, until you issue an ADD command.

Where Issued: Primary system only.

Security: Super-user group member.

SET RDFNET *netsync-option*

where *netsync-option* is:

```
{CPUS primary-CPU : backup-CPU}
{PRIORITY priority-number}
{PROCESS process-name}
```

SET RECEIVER

The SET RECEIVER command sets the designated configuration parameters for the receiver process to the supplied values within the RDF configuration memory table. The supplied values are not applied to the RDF configuration file, however, until you issue an ADD command.

Where Issued: Primary system only.

Security: Super-user group member.

SET RECEIVER *receiver-option*

where *receiver-option* is:

```
{ATINDEX atindex}
{CPUS primary-CPU : backup-CPU}
{EXTENTS (primary-extent-size, secondary-extent-size)}
{PRIORITY priority-number}
{PROCESS process-name}
{RDFVOLUME volume}
{FASTUPDATEMODE on-off value}
```

SET TRIGGER

The SET TRIGGER command sets trigger parameters within the RDF configuration memory table. The supplied values are not applied to the RDF configuration file, however, until you issue an ADD TRIGGER command. The trigger type (REVERSE or TAKEOVER) is specified in the ADD TRIGGER command.

Where Issued: Primary system; backup system when the primary is not available.

Security: Super-user group member.

SET TRIGGER *trigger-option*

where *trigger-option* is:

```
{PROGRAM program-file}
{INFILE infile}
{OUTFILE outfile}
{CPUS primary-CPU : backup-CPU}
{PRIORITY priority}
{WAIT | NOWAIT}
```

SET VOLUME

The SET VOLUME command sets the designated configuration parameters for an updater process to the supplied values within the RDF configuration memory table. The supplied values are not applied to the RDF configuration file, however, until you issue an ADD command.

Where Issued: Primary system only.

Security: Super-user group member.

SET VOLUME *volume-option*

```

where volume-option is:
{ATINDEX atindex }
{CPUS primary-CPU : backup-CPU }
{PRIORITY priority-number }
{PROCESS process-name }
{IMAGEVOLUME volume }
{UPDATEVOLUME volume }
{INCLUDE subvol.file }
{EXCLUDE subvol.file }
{INCLUDEPURGE subvol.file }
{EXCLUDEPURGE subvol.file }
{MAPFILE $vol.subvol.file }
{MAPLOG $vol.subvol.file }

```

SHOW

The SHOW command displays the current parameter values contained in the RDF configuration memory table for the specified process. With this command, you can confirm the parameter values before issuing the ADD command that actually applies them to the configuration file.

Where Issued: Primary or backup system.

Security: Any user.

```

SHOW {RDF }
     {MONITOR }
     {EXTRACTOR }
     {RECEIVER }
     {IMAGETRAIL }
     {TRIGGER }
     {VOLUME }
     {PURGER }
     {RDFNET }
     {NETWORK }

```

START RDF

The START RDF command starts the RDF subsystem.

Where Issued: Primary system only.

Security: Super-user group member with remote password from the primary system to the backup.

```
START RDF [,UPDATE {ON | OFF}]
```

START UPDATE

The START UPDATE command starts all updater processes on the backup system.

Where Issued: Primary system only.

Security: Super-user group member with remote password from the primary system to the backup.

```
START UPDATE
```

STATUS

The STATUS command displays current configuration information and operational statistics for the RDF environment.

Where Issued: Primary or backup system.

Security: Any user.

```

STATUS {MONITOR } [, PERIOD seconds[, COUNT repeat]]
      {RDF }
      {EXTRACTOR }
      {RECEIVER }
      {PURGER }

```

```

{PROCESS procname }
{VOLUME           }
{RTDWARNING       }
{RDFNET           }

```

STOP RDF

The STOP RDF command shuts down the RDF subsystem.

Where Issued: Primary or backup system (can be issued on the backup system only when all communications lines to the primary system are down).

Security: Super-user group member with remote password from the primary system to the backup.

```

STOP RDF { [, DRAIN ] }
         { [, REVERSE ] }

```

STOP SYNCH

The STOP SYNCH command is used as part of the online database synchronization protocol. See the descriptions of online database synchronization in [Chapter 7 \(page 167\)](#) for the proper use of this command.

Where Issued: Primary system.

Security: Any user.

```

STOP SYNCH

```

STOP UPDATE

The STOP UPDATE command suspends updating of the backup database and stops all updater processes.

Where Issued: Primary system only.

Security: Super-user group member with remote password from the primary system to the backup.

```

STOP UPDATE [, TIMESTAMP timestamp ]

```

TAKEOVER

The TAKEOVER command causes the backup database to become the database of record.

Where Issued: Backup system only.

Security: Super-user group member.

```

TAKEOVER [!]

```

UNPINAUDIT

The UNPINAUDIT command unpins TMF audit trail files on the primary system.

Where Issued: Primary system only.

Security: Super-user group member.

```

UNPINAUDIT

```

VALIDATE CONFIGURATION

The VALIDATE CONFIGURATION command validates the parameters in the RDF configuration file.

Where Issued: Primary system only.

Security: Super-user group member.

```

VALIDATE CONFIGURATION

```

RDFSCAN Commands Quick Reference

RDFSCAN runs under the Guardian user interface (normally the TACL command interpreter) to the NonStop operating system. The RDFSCAN command starts an RDFSCAN session that lets you enter RDFSCAN commands interactively, noninteractively, or through a command file.

Where issued: primary or backup system.

Security: Any user.

RDFSCAN [*file*]

AT

The AT command specifies the record in the RDF log file at which RDFSCAN begins the next operation.

AT [*record-number*]

DISPLAY

The DISPLAY command enables or disables the display of line (record) numbers in subsequent RDFSCAN output.

DISPLAY {ON | OFF}

EXIT

The EXIT command ends your current RDFSCAN session.

EXIT

FILE

The FILE command selects the RDF log file to which subsequent RDFSCAN commands apply.

FILE [\system.] [\$volume.] [subvolume.] *file*

HELP

The HELP command displays the syntax of RDFSCAN commands or introductory information about the RDFSCAN utility.

```
HELP [ ALL      ]
      [ INTRO    ]
      [ command  ]
```

LIST

The LIST command displays a specified number of log messages that contain the current match pattern.

LIST *number*

LOG

The LOG command selects a file to which subsequent LIST commands copy their output in addition to the standard output device. When you issue the LOG command followed by a LIST command, RDFSCAN continues to display the LIST records on the standard device and also copies them to the file specified in the LOG command.

LOG [\system.] [\$volume.] [subvolume.] *file*

MATCH

The MATCH command specifies a pattern to search for in the log file. RDFSCAN searches for the specified character string without regard for uppercase or lowercase.

MATCH *text*

NOLOG

The NOLOG command disables LIST command copying that was previously enabled by a LOG command.

NOLOG

SCAN

The SCAN command scans a specific number of messages in the log file and displays all of those in that range that contain the current match pattern.

SCAN *number*

File Names and Process Identifiers

File names and process identifiers sometimes appear as parameters in RDFCOM and RDFSCAN commands. These names typically identify objects such as disk files, log devices, and processes.

Reserved File Names

Subvolume names that begin with the letter “Z” are reserved. You should not choose such names when configuring RDF objects.

Disk File Names

The syntax for a file name that identifies a disk file is:

```
[ \system. ] [ [ $volume. ] subvol. ] filee  
or  
[ \system. ] [ $volume. ] temp-file
```

Nondisk Device Names

The syntax for a file name that identifies a nondisk device is:

```
[ \system. ] device-name [ .qualifier ]  
or  
[ \system. ] ldev-number
```

Process File Names

RDFCOM commands can refer to (and display information about) named processes. In these commands, process names can include no more than six characters: a dollar sign followed by one letter followed by one to four alphanumeric characters.

B Additional Reference Information

This appendix provides additional reference information about:

- “Default Configuration Parameters” (page 359)
- “Sample Configuration File” (page 360)
- “RDFSNOOP Utility” (page 362)
- “RDF System Files” (page 362)
- “RDF File Codes” (page 364)

Process names are also reserved: \$X* , \$Y* , and \$Z* .

Certain keywords in the NonStop SQL/MP product are reserved words in SQL commands. Those reserved words are listed in the *SQL/MP Reference Manual*.

Default Configuration Parameters

This table lists the default values and allowable ranges for RDF configuration parameters.

Parameter	Default Value(s)	MIN	MAX
RDF BACKUPSYSTEM	BACKUPSYSTEM value used on INITIALIZE RDF	n.a.	n.a.
RDF LOGFILE	\$0	n.a.	n.a.
RDF NETWORK	off	n.a.	n.a.
RDF OWNER	none	n.a.	n.a.
RDF REPLICATEPURGE	off	n.a.	n.a.
RDF SOFTWARELOC	\$SYSTEM.RDF	n.a.	n.a.
RDF UPDATERDELAY	10	1	10
RDF UPDATEROPEN	PROTECTED	n.a.	n.a.
RDF UPDATERTXTIME	60	10	300
RDF UPDATERRTDWARNING	60	0	none
RDF USEEXCEPTION	on	n.a.	n.a.
RDFNET PRIORITY	165	10	199
MONITOR CPUS	0:1	0	15
MONITOR PRIORITY	165	10	199
EXTRACTOR ATINDEX	0	0	15
EXTRACTOR CPUS	0:1	0	15
EXTRACTOR PRIORITY	165	10	199
EXTRACTOR RTDWARNING	60	0	none
RECEIVER ATINDEX	0	0	15
RECEIVER CPUS	0:1	0	15
RECEIVER EXTENTS	(100,100)	10	65500
RECEIVER PRIORITY	165	10	199
RECEIVER RDFVOLUME	\$SYSTEM	n.a.	n.a.

Parameter	Default Value(s)	MIN	MAX
RECEIVER FASTUPDATEMODE	off	n.a.	n.a.
TRIGGER CPUS	0:1	0	15
TRIGGER PRIORITY	150	10	199
TRIGGER WAIT	WAIT	n.a.	n.a.
TRIGGER NOWAIT	WAIT	n.a.	n.a.
PURGER CPUS	0:1	0	15
PURGER PRIORITY	165	10	199
PURGER PURGETIME	60	30	1440
PURGER RETAINCOUNT	2	2	5000
VOLUME ATINDEX	0	0	15
VOLUME CPUS	0:1	0	15
VOLUME PRIORITY	160	10	199
VOLUME UPDATEVOLUME	\$SYSTEM	n.a.	n.a.
VOLUME IMAGEVOLUME	RECEIVER RDFVOLUME	n.a.	n.a.
VOLUME MAPFILE	none	n.a.	n.a.
VOLUME MAPLOG	none	n.a.	n.a.

Sample Configuration File

The following is a sample OBEY command file for configuring the RDF subsystem for the first time.

Comment lines begin with the | symbol and are ignored by RDFCOM.

```
| ***
| *** Remove all information from the current RDF configuration
| *** file.
| ***
INITIALIZE RDF, BACKUPSYSTEM \LONDON, SUFFIX 1!
| ***
| *** Set the RDF Global Parameters| ***
SET RDF SOFTWARELOC $SYSTEM.RDF
SET RDF REPLICATEPURGE ON
SET RDF NETWORK OFF

| ***
| *** Set the monitor parameters.
| ***
SET EXTRACTOR CPUS 2:1
SET EXTRACTOR PRIORITY 165
SET EXTRACTOR PROCESS $EXT
| ***
| *** Add the extractor parameters to the
| *** RDF configuration file.
| ***
ADD EXTRACTOR

| ***
| *** Set the receiver parameters.
| *** $REC is the name of the receiver process.
| ***
```

```

SET RECEIVER CPUS          1:2
SET RECEIVER EXTENTS       (1000,1000)
SET RECEIVER PRIORITY      165
SET RECEIVER RDFVOLUME     $GOLD
SET RECEIVER FASTUPDATEMODE ON
SET RECEIVER PROCESS       $MRECV
| ***
| *** Add the receiver parameters to the
| *** RDF configuration file.
| ***
ADD RECEIVER| ***
| *** Add secondary image trails.
| ***
ADD IMAGETRAIL $SECIT1
ADD IMAGETRAIL $SECIT2
| ***
| *** Set the updater parameters for the first
| *** volume to be protected by the RDF product.
| *** $U01 is the name of this updater. Volume
| *** $DB1 on the backup node corresponds to the
| *** volume $DB01 on the primary node. This updater
| *** will use the secondary image trail SECIT1.
| ***
SET VOLUME CPUS 2:1
SET VOLUME PRIORITY 160
SET VOLUME UPDATEVOLUME $DB1
SET VOLUME IMAGEVOLUME $SECIT1
SET VOLUME MAPFILE $DATA05.CONFIG.MAPFILE
SET VOLUME MAPLOG $DATA05.LOG.MAPLOG
SET VOLUME INCLUDE RAGH*.TEST
SET VOLUME INCLUDE RRANGA.RAJ*
SET VOLUME EXCLUDE ARVI*.SHUK*
SET VOLUME INCLUDEPURGE NITIN.C*
SET VOLUME EXCLUDEPURGE SAHADEV.BN*
SET VOLUME PROCESS $U01
| ***
| *** Add the RDF updater parameters for
| *** the first updater process to the
| *** configuration file.
| ***
ADD VOLUME $DB01
| ***
| *** Set the updater parameters for the second
| *** volume to be protected by the RDF product.
| *** $U02 is the name of this updater. Volume
| *** $DB2 on the backup node corresponds to
| *** the volume $DB02 on the primary node. This
| *** updater will use the secondary image trail
| *** SECIT2.
| ***
SET VOLUME CPUS 2:1
SET VOLUME PRIORITY 160
SET VOLUME UPDATEVOLUME $DB2
SET VOLUME IMAGEVOLUME $SECIT2
SET VOLUME PROCESS $U02
| ***
| *** Add the RDF updater parameters for
| *** the second updater process to the
| *** configuration file.
| ***
ADD VOLUME $DB02
| ***
| *** Set the updater parameters for the third
| *** volume to be protected by the RDF product.
| *** $U03 is the name of this updater. Volume

```

```

| *** $DB3 on the backup node corresponds to
| *** the volume $DB03 on the primary node.
| *** Note that the IMAGEVOLUME parameter is omitted;
| *** it defaults to $SECIT2 because it was not reset
| *** after the previous ADD VOLUME command.
| ***
SET VOLUME CPUS          2:1
SET VOLUME PRIORITY      160
SET VOLUME UPDATEVOLUME $DB3
SET VOLUME PROCESS       $U03
| ***
| *** Add the RDF updater parameters for
| *** the third updater process to the
| *** configuration file.
| ***
ADD VOLUME $DB03

```

RDFSNOOP Utility

RDFSNOOP is a utility that is used to examine image file records pointed to by RDF exception files. RDFSNOOP does not have a set of commands, but it does prompt you for information about the exception files.

To use RDFSNOOP, enter RDFSNOOP at the TACL prompt:

```
> RDFSNOOP
```

RDFSNOOP prompts you for the RDF control subvolume name.

Input control subvolume name:

Enter the subvolume name. Then RDFSNOOP prompts you for the volume name:

Input volume name:

Enter the name of the volume for which you want to see exception records. If no exception records were written for that volume, RDFSNOOP displays this message:

No exception records written for specified volume.

If the specified volume has exception records, RDFSNOOP displays the image records where the exceptions occurred. Here is an example of a formatted display of an RDF exception record:

```
Input control subvolume name: PRIM1
Input volume name: $TEST3
```

```

          **** ACO^INSERT ****
TRANSID: 000367 000004 000000 000002
FILE: $TEST3 BWBJUNK JUNK      TIME: JUN 12, 2004, 11:51:28.46
OLD LEN: 0000 NEW LEN: 0547

```

```

          **** OCTAL DUMP OF IMAGE DATA APPENDAGE ***

000006 041127 041112 052516 045440 045125 047113 020040 020040
000000 001417 024272 000000 001043 130001 000017 000000 000007
060542 061544 062546 063400 000114

```

```

          **** ASCII DUMP OF IMAGE DATA APPENDAGE ***
..BWBJUNK.JUNK.....abcdefg..L

```

```
*** END OF EXCEPTION FILE FOR VOLUME $TEST3 ***
```

RDF System Files

The following files are created by the RDF subsystem and used by RDF processes:

- Configuration file

This is a key-sequenced file with record length 4062. The configuration file contains an internal representation of the configuration parameters that are set through RDFCOM

commands. The configuration file resides on both the primary and backup node; on both nodes, the configuration file is named:

`$SYSTEM.control-subvolume.CONFIG`

- Context file

The context file is a key-sequenced file with record length 4062. The context file contains the context information that tells the RDF subsystem where the RDF processes stopped. There is a separate context file on the primary node and the backup node; on both nodes, the context file is named:

`$SYSTEM.control-subvolume.CONTEXT`

- Exception files

Exception files are entry-sequenced files that contain transaction information for all audit data that could not be applied during takeover processing. These files exist on the backup node and use the naming convention:

`$SYSTEM.control-subvolume.volume`

The RDF subsystem creates one exception file for each primary node volume that the RDF subsystem is protecting.

The name of the exception file is the primary volume name configured for the updater of that volume.

You can use the RDFSNOOP utility to display the contents of exception files, as explained previously in this appendix.

- RDF image files

RDF image files are unstructured files that contain logical audit record images and commit-abort records. These image files exist on the backup node. The RDF image files reside on `$volume.control-subvolume`, in which `$volume` is specified by the RDFVOLUME parameter of the ADD RECEIVER command and ADD IMAGETRAIL command. The actual file names are of the form `AAnnnnnn`.

- RDFLOCK file

The RDFLOCK file is an unstructured, semaphore lock file that exists only to protect RDFCOM from performing multiple critical operations at the same time. A semaphore lock is the software mechanism that prevents other processes from executing certain functions until the process that initiated the semaphore lock has finished its processing. For example, if you issue any one of these RDFCOM commands, RDFCOM tries to lock the RDFLOCK file:

```
COPYAUDIT
INITIALIZE RDF
START RDF
STOP RDF
START UPDATE
STOP UPDATE
TAKEOVER
```

If the RDFLOCK file is not already locked, RDFCOM locks this file and executes the critical type of operation. If another RDFCOM user tries to execute a critical type of operation and RDFCOM finds the RDFLOCK file already locked, RDFCOM issues the message:

Another RDFCOM is performing a CRITICAL operation.

- ZFILEINC file

This is a key-sequenced file that stores information about transactions and files involved in transactions that aborted on the primary system, but TMF Backout could not undo the audit because the volumes were down. A record for each transaction and file is stored in the ZFILEINC file. If a volume is re-enabled on the primary system and TMF Backout is able to undo the audit data it could not previously undo, then the corresponding records are removed from the ZFILEINC file.

The ZFILEINC file resides on the backup node and is named \$SYSTEM.control-subvolume.ZFILEINC.

- RDFTKOVr file

This file records whether an RDF Takeover operation has completed successfully. This file is empty under normal circumstances (eof = 0). If, however, you have executed an RDF Takeover operation and it completes successfully, then the key word "DONE" is written in the file by RDF. This file can be used for executing fast business takeover operations. See "How to Plan for the Fastest Movement of Business Operations to Your Backup System After Takeover" (page 144) for more details.

The RDFTKOVr file resides on the backup node and is named \$SYSTEM.control-subvolume.RDFTKOVr.

- ZRCVnn files

One file is created for each auxiliary receiver in your RDF configuration, and the nn is the two-digit ATINDEX of the receiver. These files store information about SQL Shared Access DDL operations involving files protected by RDF.

The ZRCVnn files reside on the backup node and are named \$SYSTEM.control-subvolume.ZRCVnn.

- UNDO List files

These files contain the lists of transactions that need to be undone either during a stop-update-to-time operation or takeover operation. They can be read with the READLIST utility, which creates a similarly named file in the MIT that can be read with RDFSCAN. The ZNETUNDO file only exists in RDF network environments.

The undo list files reside on the backup node and are named:

```
$master-image-trail-volume.control-subvolume. ZTXUNDO
$master-image-trail-volume.control-subvolume. ZFILUNDO
$master-image-trail-volume.control-subvolume. ZNETUNDO
```

- Network List files

These files contain the lists of transactions that need to be evaluated for possible undo during a takeover operation if you have configured an RDF Network.

The Network list files reside on the backup node and are named:

```
$master-image-trail-volume.control-subvolume. ZRDFLCMT
$master-image-trail-volume.control-subvolume. ZRDFLCM2
$master-image-trail-volume.control-subvolume. ZRDFLCM3
$master-image-trail-volume.control-subvolume. ZRDFNMTX
$master-image-trail-volume.control-subvolume. ZRDFNMT2
$master-image-trail-volume.control-subvolume. ZRDFNMT3.
```

Each backup system of the RDF Network has its own ZRDFLCMT file. The other files are only located in the MIT of the network master.

RDF File Codes

RDF image trail file code = 720

RDF configuration file code = 721

RDF primary context file code = 722

RDF remote context, ZFILEINC, and ZRCVnn file code = 723

C Messages

This appendix describes the messages generated by RDF. The RDF subsystem produces three general types of messages:

- “RDF Messages” (page 365), which are reported any time by RDF and directed to the configured EMS event log (collector)
- “RDFCOM Messages” (page 413), which are reported during your RDFCOM sessions and directed to your terminal or alternate output device
- “RDFSCAN Messages” (page 461), which are reported during your RDFSCAN sessions and directed to your terminal or alternate output device

About the Message Descriptions

In each message description presented in this appendix, this information appears:

- Message number (lockstep gateway and RDF event messages only)
- Message text
- Error codes and parameters—explanations of variables that indicate specific error details, files, devices, and other elements that appear within the message text
- Cause—the condition or error that produced the message
- Effect—the effect of the condition or error on the system
- Recovery—the steps required to recover from a reported error

Some messages include information from the operating system’s file system. When present, this information, typically a numeric code, appears in the *error#* or *number* parameter in the message description. For the meaning of this code and related information, see the *Guardian Procedure Errors and Messages Manual* and the *Operator Messages Manual*.

Many messages include file names that identify objects such as disk files and processes. When present, these names appear in the message descriptions as parameters such as *filename* or *procname*. Sometimes, these messages simply report syntax errors that result from improperly specifying these file names in commands. For more information about file names and the rules that govern them, see “RDFCOM-Related Filenames and Process Identifiers” (page 190) and the *Guardian Procedure Calls Reference Manual*.

You can also receive messages from the NonStop operating system. See the *Guardian Procedure Errors and Messages Manual* and the *Operator Messages Manual* for information about those messages.

RDF Messages

RDF messages, unlike RDFCOM and RDFSCAN messages, do not appear on your terminal or workstation screen. Instead, RDF sends these messages to the configured EMS event log (collector). You specify the EMS event log by using the SET RDF command described in Chapter 8 (page 187). You can change the EMS event log while RDF is running. The following example shows part of an EMS event log.

(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)
2007/01/09	16:11:02	\NYC	\$RCV	771	RDF Remote Receiver Started
2007/01/09	16:11:25	\NYC	\$U01	773	RDF Remote Updater Started
					\$DB0001 =>\$BB0001
2007/01/09	16:11:32	\NYC	\$U02	773	RDF Remote Updater Started
					\$DB0002 =>\$BB0002

- | | | |
|-----|--------------------------------|--|
| (1) | The date the message occurred. | The clock used is the clock on the sending system. |
| (2) | The time the message occurred. | The clock used is the clock on the sending system. |

- (3) The name of the system on which the particular RDF process is running.
- (4) The name or process ID of the RDF process that issued this message.
- (5) The message number.
- (6) The message text that explains the log entry.

If the EMS event log is \$0 (the default collector), only items (3), (4), (5) and (6) are logged because of file-length restrictions.

The pages that follow list all the RDF messages that RDF produces. The messages appear in ascending order by message number.

700

File-system error error on ANSI-object-type ANSI-name, Partition partition-id, file filename [, SNO sno , RBA rba]

error

is the file-system error number that identifies the specific error.

ANSI-object-type

is the ANSI object type (for example, table, index, and so on).

ANSI-name

is the ANSI name of the SQL/MX object that encountered the error.

partition-ID

is the partition ID of the SQL/MX object that encountered the error.

filename

is the Guardian file name of the file that encountered the error.

sno

is the sequence number of the file that encountered the error.

rba

is the relative byte address within the file where the error occurred.

Cause A file-system error occurred. The message includes both the file-system error number and the name of the file or table that encountered the error.

Effect Variable; depends on which file-system error occurred.

Recovery *ANSI-name* or *filename* is the name of the object that encountered the error. See Table 5-1 (page 122) to determine the appropriate recovery actions.

701

Error error communicating with processname

error

is the file-system error number that identifies the specific error.

processname

is the name of the affected process.

Cause The process that issued this message encountered the specified file-system error while attempting to communicate with the specified process.

Effect Variable; depends upon the process and the particular error, it might be retried or it might cause RDF to abort.

Recovery Correct the error reported in the message and if RDF aborted, restart RDF.

702

Program version is inconsistent program expected-expected
received-received

program

is the name of the program file that RDF tried to execute.

expected

is the expected version number of the program.

received

is the actual version number of the program, as reflected by the program file.

Cause In response to a START RDF command, RDF attempted to execute the designated program file (*program*). The program in that file, however, had a different version number (*received*) than was expected (*expected*). You have installed the wrong version of RDF.

Effect RDF stops.

Recovery Install the correct version of RDF on all systems, and then start RDF.

703

Still waiting on purger for undo pass

Cause The updater has sent a request for permission to read the undo list, but the purger has not yet given the updater permission.

Effect The updater waits until the purger has completed building the undo list.

Recovery This is an informational message. No recovery is required, unless the purger is reporting problems.

704

Updaters stopped before stop-update-to-time has completed

Cause The purger has detected that all the updaters have stopped, but at least one updater stopped prematurely and did not stop at the specified timestamp.

Effect The updaters are stopped, but the backup database is not in a consistent state corresponding to the stop update timestamp.

Recovery Restart the updaters. If you still need to bring the backup database to a consistent state, do the following. Wait for the updaters to catch up and then issue a new stop update to time command, specifying a new timestamp.

705

File Open Error *error* on [*ANSI-object-type**ANSI-name*, Partition *partition-id*,] file *filename*

error

is the file-system error number that identifies the specific error.

ANSI-object-type

is the ANSI object type (for example, table, index, and so on).

ANSI-name

is the ANSI name of the SQL/MX object that encountered the error.

partition-id

is the partition ID of the SQL/MX object that encountered the error.

filename

is the Guardian file name of the file that encountered the error.

sno

is the sequence number of the file that encountered the error.

rba

is the relative byte address within the file where the error occurred.

Cause A file-system error occurred while RDF was attempting to open a file, table, or process. The message includes both the file-system error number and the name of the file, table, or process that was to be opened.

Effect If this message is issued by an updater process, see Table 5-2 in the RDF manual to determine the appropriate recovery actions.

The extractor retries OPEN calls for the audit trail files if the error is 11 (file missing), 12 (file in use), or 59 (file is bad). Those errors might occur while the audit trail file is being restored to disk.

The receiver retries OPEN calls for the image files if the error is 11 (file missing), 12 (file in use), or 59 (file is bad). Those errors might occur while the image file is being restored to disk.

Recovery If this message is issued by an updater process, see Table 5-2 (page 123) to determine the appropriate recovery actions.

706

RDF monitor shutdown complete

Cause The monitor process has stopped itself and all RDF processing as the result of an operator-initiated stop or a catastrophic failure.

Effect The monitor sends a stop message to all RDF processes, and they all successfully shut down.

Recovery If the operator issued a STOP TMF or STOP RDF command, this message is merely informational and no recovery is required.

If this message is unexpected, check the RDF log to determine the cause of the failure.

You can attempt to correct the underlying problem, and then restart RDF. If you do that, however, you should select a convenient time to stop TMF and verify that the primary and backup databases are synchronized.

You should also check the event log to determine whether the shutdown and startup proceeded without error. If that is not the case, no recovery is possible.

707

TMF is not yet started

Cause The extractor detected that TMF has not been started yet.

Effect RDF cannot run if TMF is not also running. Normally RDFCOM will recognize that TMF has not been started and will prevent RDF from starting. In the case of an RDF 707 event, TMF was running when RDFCOM verified that TMF was started, but TMF was then stopped before the extractor was started. If the extractor detects that TMF is not started, it aborts itself, and the monitor aborts the receiver and itself.

Recovery You must START TMF before attempting to START RDF.

708

Internal error detected

Cause An internal error has been detected in RDFCOM.

Effect RDFCOM aborts.

Recovery This is an internal error. Contact your service provider.

709

Logfile opened or altered *filename*

filename

is the name of the new EMS event log (collector).

Cause An RDF process has successfully changed the logfile to the specified EMS Event Collector.

Effect Messages are now logged to the new collector.

Recovery This is an informational message; no recovery is required.

710

TMP is inaccessible

Cause An RDF process has tried to obtain audit trail information from the TMF management process pair (TMP), but the TMP was not accessible. The probable cause is that TMF is not currently running. RDF requires that TMF be up and running on the primary and all backup nodes.

Effect The RDF process abends.

Recovery You must start the TMF product on the affected node.

711

Failure to get process info - error error

error

is the file-system error number that identifies the specific error.

Cause The updater failed to obtain process information about itself. This is a fatal error.

Effect The updater process abends.

Recovery This is an internal error. Contact your service provider.

712

Process creation error *nnn nnn*, file *filename*

nnn nnn

are the upper and lower bytes, respectively, of the status code reported by the NEWPROCESS procedure.

filename

is the name of the program file that was to be executed.

Cause The monitor encountered an error while attempting to create an RDF process. The error fields reported in the message are the upper and lower bytes of the status returned by the NEWPROCESS system procedure followed by the filename of the program that was to be run.

Effect The process is not started, and RDF shuts down.

Recovery See the description of the NEWPROCESS procedure in the *Guardian Procedure Errors and Messages Manual* to determine the cause of the failure. Once the underlying cause is corrected, RDF can be restarted.

713

Backup process creation error *nnn nnn*, file *filename*

nnn nnn

are the upper and lower bytes, respectively, of the status code reported by the NEWPROCESS procedure.

filename

is the name of the program file that was to be executed.

Cause The primary process of an RDF NonStop process pair encountered an error while attempting to create its backup process. The error fields reported in the message are the upper and lower bytes of the status returned by the NEWPROCESS system procedure followed by the filename of the program that was to be run.

This error will occur if one or more parameters in the configuration file are incorrect, if the required processor is not running, or if there are insufficient resources.

Effect The backup process is not started. The primary continues to run, but will be vulnerable to a CPU failure. The primary will try to create its backup repeatedly until it succeeds.

Recovery See the description of the NEWPROCESS procedure in the *Guardian Procedure Errors and Messages Manual* to determine the cause of the failure. Once the underlying cause is corrected, the backup process can be created.

714

CHECKPOINT Failure - backup comm error error

error

is the file-system error number that identifies the specific error.

Cause A call to the checkpoint procedure failed, and the backup process of a NonStop process pair is still running. The message includes the number of the file-system error that was encountered when the primary process was trying to communicate with the backup process.

Effect The backup process is stopped, and a new one is created after about 15 seconds.

Recovery See the description of the CHECKPOINT procedure in the *Guardian Procedure Calls Reference Manual* to determine the cause of the failure. If possible, correct the underlying cause to avoid its reoccurrence.

715

Primary stopped

Cause The primary process of a NonStop process pair has stopped. This probably was the result of an operator inadvertently issuing a STOP command from TACL.

Effect The backup process takes over, but not in fault-tolerant mode, until the primary process can be re-created.

Recovery This is an informational message; no recovery is required.

716

Primary abended

Cause The primary process of a NonStop process pair has abended.

Effect The backup process takes over, but not in fault-tolerant mode, until the primary process can be re-created.

Recovery Scan the EMS event log to determine why the process abended. An INSPECT SAVEABEND file should have been created in the volume and subvolume where you placed the RDF/IMP software; you should save that file for problem resolution by your service provider.

717

Primary processor down

Cause The primary CPU of a NonStop process pair has stopped.

Effect The backup process takes over, but not in fault-tolerant mode. The primary process will be re-created after its CPU is reloaded.

Recovery Reload the downed processor.

718

Switched to original primary processor

Cause The original backup process of a NonStop process pair has successfully created a backup process in the configured primary processor and has successfully switched processing to that process.

Effect The NonStop process pair is switching primary and backup roles so that the primary process is now running in the CPU configured as the primary processor.

Recovery This is an informational message; no recovery is required.

719

Bad parameter in CHECKPOINT - status *nnn*

nnn

is the status word returned by CHECKPOINT.

Cause A CHECKPOINT call from the primary process of a NonStop process pair to its backup process failed because of a parameter error. This message indicates a programming problem within RDF. The message includes the status word returned by the CHECKPOINT procedure.

Effect The backup process is stopped, and a new one is created after about 15 seconds.

Recovery This is an informational message; no recovery is required.

You should, however, contact your service provider and explain that this error occurred.

720

Audit trail file single block missing

Cause The extractor detected an error in block sequence numbers in the TMF audit trail. The sequence numbers show that a single block is missing.

Effect This is only a warning. Normal processing continues.

It is possible, however, that the backup database is no longer consistent with the primary database.

Recovery This is an informational message; no recovery is required.

Tell your database administrator that this error occurred. The database administrator should consider checking the synchronization of the primary and backup databases.

721

Audit trail multiple blocks missing

Cause The extractor detected an error in block sequence numbers in the TMF audit trail. The sequence numbers show that multiple blocks are missing.

Effect This is only a warning. Normal processing continues.

It is possible, however, that the backup database is no longer consistent with the primary database.

Recovery This is an informational message; no recovery is required.

Tell your database administrator that this error occurred. The database administrator should consider checking the synchronization of the primary and backup databases.

722

Waiting for audit trail file restoration, SNO *sno*

sno

is the sequence number of the audit trail for which the extractor is waiting.

Cause The extractor has requested that the specified audit trail file be restored.

Effect The extractor waits until the audit trail file is restored.

Recovery If you are dumping audit trails to tape and you have already mounted the correct tape, then this is an informational message. If you have not mounted the tape, check the EMS log to see what tape the TMF product requires and mount that tape.

723

Irrecoverable error on audit trail file *filename* at RBA *rba*

filename

is the name of the audit trail file that contained the error.

rba

is the relative byte address where the error occurred in the audit trail file.

Cause The extractor encountered an irrecoverable error at the designated relative byte address (*rba*) in the designated TMF audit trail file. This message indicates an internal RDF or TMF error.

Effect This is a catastrophic error; the extractor abends, and RDF stops.

Recovery Because this message indicates a system error, you should preserve the indicated audit trail file for further analysis by your service provider.

724

RDF TAKEOVER has completed successfully

Cause The purger has determined that all updaters have processed through to the end of the image trail and the RDF TAKEOVER operation has completed.

Effect Normal purger shutdown processing continues. When the purger stops, the TAKEOVER operation will be finished.

Recovery This is an informational message; no recovery is required.

725

RDF TAKEOVER has not completed

Cause One of two conditions caused this event.

- UPDATE was OFF when the purger began the RDF TAKEOVER operation.
- At least one updater process terminated prematurely, without processing through to the end of the image trail. The premature updater shutdown might have resulted from a double CPU failure or a STOP command entered manually from TACL. Because the updater might not have processed all image audit, the RDF TAKEOVER operation cannot be considered complete. Scan the EMS event log for RDF message 726: this message identifies the updater process that did not complete TAKEOVER processing.

Effect Normal purger shutdown processing continues.

Recovery If UPDATE was OFF at the time of the RDF TAKEOVER, then a second RDF TAKEOVER operation is automatically started, and no recovery is required. Otherwise, you must restart the takeover operation with the RDFCOM TAKEOVER command.

726

Updater did not complete the TAKEOVER vol => vol

vol => vol

are the volume on the primary node that the updater is protecting and the corresponding volume to which it is writing on the backup node.

Cause The RDF purger has determined that the updater process indicated in this message did not complete RDF TAKEOVER processing. That updater might have stopped prematurely because of a double CPU failure or a STOP command entered manually from TACL.

Effect The updater responsible for the volume named in the message did not complete RDF TAKEOVER processing.

Recovery When you have determined why the updater stopped prematurely and you have corrected the problem, you must re-issue the RDFCOM TAKEOVER command.

727

Audit-trail file missing SNO *sno*

sno

is the sequence number of the missing audit trail file.

Cause The specified file should exist on disk, but it does not.

Effect The extractor abends.

Recovery This is an internal error. Contact your service provider.

728

Backup Processor Down

Cause The CPU of the backup process of a NonStop process pair failed.

Effect The primary process continues to run, but not in fault-tolerant mode.

Recovery Reload the downed processor. The backup process is re-created when the processor is reloaded.

729

Attempt to alter process priority failed *priority*
priority

is the priority requested for the process.

Cause An attempt to alter the priority of an RDF process to the indicated *priority* has failed.

Effect The process continues to run at its current priority.

Recovery This is an informational message; no recovery is required.
Reissue the ALTER command.

730

Process priority altered *priority*
priority

is the priority requested for the process.

Cause The operator successfully changed the priority of an RDF process to *priority*.

Effect The process runs at the new priority.

Recovery This is an informational message; no recovery is required.

731

RDF monitor started

Cause The operator issued a START RDF command.

Effect The RDF monitor process is running and starting up the other RDF processes.

Recovery This is an informational message; no recovery is required.

732

Unable to create exception file *filename*, error *error*
filename

is the name of the exception file that the updater was trying to create.

error

is the file-system error number that identifies the specific error.

Cause An updater process encountered an error while attempting to create an exception file. The message includes the file-system error number and the name of the exception file that the updater was trying to create.

Effect This is a catastrophic error; the updater abends, and RDF stops.

Recovery Determine the cause of the error, correct the condition, and then restart RDF.

733

Stopping update for SQL DDL operation on file *filename*.
filename

is the Guardian file name of the file that is affected by the DDL operation.

Cause The updater has found a Stop-RDF-Updater record in the image trail. This special record is generated in the TMF audit trail on the primary system when an SQL DDL operation WITH SHARED ACCESS involving the specified file has completed. Each updater will stop when it reaches this record in the image trail.

Effect The updaters stop.

Recovery When all updaters have stopped, you must perform the same SQL DDL operation on the RDF backup system that was originally performed on the primary system. When this operation has been completed, start the updaters again with the START UPDATE command.



NOTE: You must not start the updaters until you have performed the DDL operation. Otherwise, you will corrupt your database on the RDF backup system.

734

Inappropriate message type *type* received {from process-id *cpu,pin* | from process *processname*} [, program file *programfile*]

type

is the message number in the received message, which was not one of the codes recognized by the RDF process.

cpu,pin

is the cpu,pin number of the process that sent the message.

processname

is the name of the process that sent the message.

programfile

is the name of the object file from where the process that sent the message was started.

Cause An RDF process received a message that does not apply to it.

This message is a warning that indicates a possible problem in the configuration file, a programming problem within RDF, or that a process outside of RDF tried to communicate with an RDF process. Whenever possible, this message includes the offending process name or process id as well as the program file name.

Effect The message type is reported with no other effect.

Recovery This is an informational message; no recovery is required.

To see if the message resulted from an incorrect configuration file, examine the configuration file and verify that all necessary parameters have been specified correctly.

Report this to your service provider.

735

MAT position of last audit record SNO *sno* RBA *rba*

sno

is the sequence number in the Master Audit Trail (MAT) of the last audit record received by the RDF receiver process.

rba

is the relative byte address of the record.

Cause The purger logs this message after the successful completion of an RDF takeover operation.

- If all data volumes on the primary system are configured to the MAT, then the reported position is the end of the last record received from the extractor.
- If any data volumes on the primary system are configured to auxiliary audit trails, then the reported position is the end of the last commit or abort record received from the extractor for which no data from any auxiliary audit trail is missing.

Effect The MAT position is used for two purposes:

- To compare MAT positions in preparation for the RDFCOM COPYAUDIT command of the triple contingency protocol
- To use for File Recovery to a MAT position on the primary system

Recovery This is an informational message; no recovery is required.

736

[*ANSI-object-type* *ANSI-name*, Partition *partition-id*,] [File *filename*]
missing on backup system

ANSI-object-type

is the ANSI object type (for example, table, index, and so on.).

ANSI-name

is the ANSI name of the SQL/MX object that encountered the error.

partition-id

is the partition ID of the SQL/MX object that encountered the error.

filename

is the Guardian file name of the file that encountered the error.

Cause The updater could not obtain information about the specified ANSI table or Guardian file. Before an updater can apply audit records to the underlying table or Guardian file, it must obtain information about the object. The probable reason why information could not be obtained is that the ANSI table or Guardian file has not yet been created on the backup system.

Effect The updater delays for 30 seconds and then tries to obtain the information again.

Recovery If the specified file is an Enscribe file, you must create the file on the backup system. You should always create SQL objects on the backup system first and then create them on the primary system.

737

RDF extractor establishing synch

Cause When the extractor is starting or restarting, it must send a request to the receiver to obtain its starting position in the TMF audit trail. The extractor issues event 737, indicating that the extractor is attempting to become synchronized with the receiver by requesting its starting position.

Effect The extractor attempts to become synchronized with the receiver.

Recovery This is an informational message; no recovery is required.

738

RDF extractor synch established SNO *sno* RBA *rba*

sno

is the sequence number of the TMF Master Audit Trail (MAT) for which the synchronization point was established.

rba

is the relative byte address of the synchronization point.

Cause This message indicates that the receiver has sent the extractor a starting position in the TMF audit trail, and that the extractor has thereby become synchronized with the receiver.

Effect Extractor is synchronized with the receiver.

Recovery This is an informational message; no recovery is required.

739

File creation failed. Error *error* On *filename*

error

is the file-system error number that identifies the specific error.

filename

is the name of the file that the updater tried to create.

Cause An updater was unable to create a file on its UPDATEVOLUME disk. The message includes both the file-system error number and the name of the file the updater attempted to create.

Effect See Table 5-3 (page 123) to determine the effect of this error.

Recovery See Table 5-3 (page 123) to determine the appropriate recovery actions.

740

Create for unprotected RDF volume failed *volume*. Error *error*

volume

is the name of the volume that could not be found among those protected by RDF.

error

is the file-system error number that identifies the specific error.

Cause This warning message is issued when a create operation for the primary partition of a partitioned file must map one or more of the file's secondary partitions to a volume that does not match any of the volumes protected by RDF on the primary node. This message is also issued when the creation of a file with alternate keys is attempted and the corresponding alternate key file does not match any of the volumes protected by RDF on the primary node.

Effect The create operation fails and is skipped.

Recovery For partitioned files and files with alternate keys, if any partition or alternate key file is on a volume protected by RDF, then all partitions and alternate key files must be on volumes protected by RDF.

Either the file must be redefined on the primary node, or the other volume must be made protected by RDF. In the latter case, the backup file must then be resynchronized with the primary file.

741

RDF extractor message out of order

Cause The receiver has received a message from the extractor that is out of order. When this event occurs, the extractor automatically reestablishes synchronization with the receiver. If the extractor has several outstanding requests to the receiver and the first is found to be out of order, the receiver rejects each subsequent request with this same error. When the extractor reestablishes synchronization, normal processing resumes.

Effect The receiver directs the extractor to reestablish synchronization.

Recovery This is an informational message; no recovery is required.

742

RDF extractor internal audit read error. File *filename* RBA *rba*

filename

is the name of the audit trail file that contained the error.

rba

is the relative byte address where the error occurred in the audit trail file.

Cause The extractor encountered an error in audit processing.

Effect The extractor abends, thereby stopping the other RDF processes.

Recovery Save the SAVEABEND file, the audit trail file, and contact your service provider. You must reinitialize RDF.

743

Catastrophic error encountered

Cause A fatal error occurred in RDF.
Effect RDF stops.
Recovery Restart RDF and contact your service provider.

744

FILEINFO obtained on [*ANSI-object-type* *ANSI-name*, Partition *partition-id*,] file *filename*

ANSI-object-type

is the ANSI object type (for example, table, index, and so on.).

ANSI-name

is the ANSI name of the SQL/MX object that encountered the error.

partition-id

is the partition ID of the SQL/MX object that encountered the error.

filename

is the Guardian file name of the file that encountered the error.

Cause The updater was previously delayed in obtaining information about the specified object. See RDF error 736. The information has now been obtained.

Effect The updater continues processing.

Recovery This is an informational message; no recovery is required.

745

Audit record conversion error *error*

error

is the error number.

Cause The extractor encountered the specified error while attempting to convert an audit record from one version to another.

Effect The extractor abends, thereby stopping the other RDF processes.

Recovery This is an internal error. Contact your service provider.

746

Error during program initialization

Cause A fatal error occurred during RDF subsystem initialization.

Effect RDF stops. Error 743 should follow this message.

Recovery Check the EMS event log for any preceding errors that might indicate the source of the problem. If it is possible to correct the underlying problem, then RDF can be restarted.

747

Volume must be a TMF datavol *volume*

volume

is the name of the volume on the remote node that must be added to the TMF configuration as a data volume.

Cause Either TMF has not been started on the remote node, or the volume associated with this updater on the remote node has not been added as a datavol in the TMF configuration. TMF must be started on the remote node, and the volume associated with this updater on the remote node must be added as a datavol to this remote TMF configuration.

Effect The updater will not start.

Recovery Start TMF on the remote system and add the associated volume as a datavol in the TMF configuration. Additionally, you should start the volume for transaction processing.

748

Internal error - RDF extractor abending

Cause The extractor has detected an audit record of an unknown version.

Effect The extractor process abends.

Recovery This is an internal error. Contact your service provider.

749

Old audit record format encountered

Cause The extractor has detected an audit record generated by an unsupported version of TMF.

Effect The extractor abends.

Recovery Reinitialize RDF. You might need to resynchronize the primary and backup databases.

750

Failure to obtain TLE for SIGNALTIMEOUT

Cause All RDF processes rely upon the ability to post timers by calling SIGNALTIMEOUT and take action when those timers expire. This message indicates that a call to SIGNALTIMEOUT failed because there were insufficient time list elements (TLEs) available.

Effect The process continues to run, but recovery is required.

Recovery Issue a STOP RDF command immediately. Then investigate why there is a shortage of TLEs in the CPU of the RDF process that could not obtain one. If you want to start RDF again while conducting this investigation, you should alter the RDF configuration of the process that could not obtain the TLE, specifying a different set of CPUs.

751

`FILE_OPEN_CHKPT_ error error on filename`
`error`

is the file-system error number that identifies the specific error.

`filename`

is the name of the file associated with the error.

Cause A call to the `FILE_OPEN_CHKPT_` procedure failed, and the backup process of a process pair is still running. The message includes the file-system error number encountered when the primary process attempted to communicate with the backup process and the name of the file associated with the error.

Effect The backup process is stopped, and a new one is created after about 15 seconds.

Recovery See the description of the `FILE_OPEN_CHKPT_` procedure in the *Guardian Procedure Calls Reference Manual* to determine the cause of the failure. If possible, correct the underlying cause to avoid its reoccurrence.

752

Audit block RBN out of sequence. File `filename` RBN `rbn` RBA `rba`
`filename`

is the name of the audit trail file that contained the error.

`rbn`

is the relative block number of the block where the error occurred in the audit trail file.

`rba`

is the relative byte address where the error occurred in the audit trail file.

Cause The extractor detected that the relative block number (RBN) of a block of audit data in the TMF audit trail is out of sequence. This message indicates an internal RDF or TMF error.

The message includes the file name, relative block number, and relative byte address of the audit file in question.

Effect This is a catastrophic error; the extractor abends, and RDF stops.

Recovery This message indicates an internal RDF or TMF error. You must resynchronize the primary and backup databases. Save the audit trail file, and report this error to your service provider.

753

Audit trail file stutter. File *filename* RBN *rbn* RBA *rba*

filename

is the name of the audit trail file that contained the error.

rbn

is the relative block number of the block where the error occurred in the audit trail file.

rba

is the relative byte address where the error occurred in the audit trail file.

Cause The extractor detected a block of audit data that is repeated in the TMF audit trail. This message indicates an internal RDF or TMF error. The message includes the file name, relative block number, and relative byte address of the audit file in question.

Effect The block is ignored and processing continues.

It is possible, however, that the backup database is no longer consistent with the primary database.

Recovery Preserve the audit trail file, and report this error to your service provider.

754

Network restored - continuing service

Cause The primary system processes have determined that the communications lines have been restored. The extractor is now able to communicate with the receiver.

Effect Processing continues from the point at which the network failed.

Recovery This is an informational message; no recovery is required.

755

CHECKMONITOR failure - backup abended

Cause The primary process of a process pair stopped after creating its backup process, but before completing the backup initialization.

Effect This is a catastrophic error; the process abends, and RDF stops.

Recovery Restart the RDF product and report the error to your service provider.

756

Format-2 audit filtered for *filename*

filename

is the name of a format-2 database file to which the encountered audit record applies.

Cause The extractor has encountered an audit record associated with the format-2 file *filename* and the backup system is not format-2 aware.

Effect The extractor skips the audit record and does not send it to the receiver.

Recovery If you intend to replicate this file you must upgrade the backup node's operating system to one that supports format-2 files and resynchronize this file.

757

Updaters stopped, stop-update-to-time operation complete

Cause The purger has detected that all the updaters have shut down following a successful stop-update-to-time operation.

Effect The database is now in a consistent state.

Recovery This is an informational message; no recovery is required.

758

Process abending

Cause The indicated process is abending.

Effect A SAVEABEND file is created, a stack trace is logged, and the process (and its backup process, if any) abends. RDF stops.

Recovery Restart the RDF product and report the error to your service provider.

759

Secondary partition on unknown node *filename*

filename

is the name of the affected file.

Cause An updater has encountered an audit record associated with either an Enscribe create, an increase of MAXEXTENTS for an Enscribe file, or a PURGEDATA operation for an Enscribe file, and the file on the primary system has secondary partitions that are located on different systems in the network.

Effect The updater skips this record. If the record is associated with an Enscribe create operation, the specific partition of the file is not created on the backup system. Therefore, if the updater subsequently encounters another audit record associated with that file, the updater pauses its processing until that file is created.

Alternatively, if the record was associated with a PURGEDATA or increase to MAXEXTENTS, the operation is not replicated on the backup system.

Recovery If the record was associated with an Enscribe create, you must manually create the file on the backup system. If the record was associated with a PURGEDATA or increase to MAXEXTENTS, you must issue the STOP UPDATE command and then perform the operation manually on the backup system.

760

Image trail file purged *filename*

filename

is the name of an image trail file.

Cause The purger has determined that the specified image file is no longer needed and has purged it.

Effect The specified file is purged.

Recovery This is an informational message; no recovery is required.

761

Backup stopped

Cause The backup process of a process pair has been stopped. This probably was the result of an operator inadvertently issuing a STOP command from TACL.

Effect A new backup will be created.

Recovery This is an informational message; no recovery is required.

762

Context file is old; must INITIALIZE RDF

Cause An RDF process has determined that the existing context file belongs to an older version of RDF.

Effect You cannot start the RDF subsystem.

Recovery Purge all existing context and configuration files on the primary and backup system. Then initialize the RDF subsystem.

763

Process incompatible with local system

Cause The process reporting the error has determined that it has been installed on the wrong operating system.

Effect The process abends.

Recovery Install the version of the RDF product that is compatible with the installed release of the operating system.

764

Internal error - inconsistent NSA stop, [*ANSI-object-type ANSI-name*,
Partition *partition-id*,] file *filename*

ANSI-object-type

is the ANSI object type (for example, table, index, and so on.).

ANSI- name

is the ANSI name of the SQL/MX object that encountered the error.

partition-id

is the partition ID of the SQL/MX object that encountered the error.

filename

is the Guardian file name of the file that encountered the error.

Cause The RDF monitor process detected an internal inconsistency regarding RDF's understanding of an SQL shared access operation.

Effect The monitor abends.

Recovery This is an internal error. Contact your service provider.

765

Invalid audit record encountered [, type *record-type*]

Cause The updater process has sent an audit record to the disk process that is the wrong version to the disk process that is in the wrong version. The record type is included in the message if it is available.

Effect The updater abends.

Recovery This is an internal error. Contact your service provider.

766

Phase one part 1 database synchronization complete

Cause The first part of phase one of a database synchronization operation has completed.

Effect The extractor continues with processing the second part of phase one.

Recovery This is an informational message; no recovery is required.

767

Phase one part 2 database synchronization complete

Cause The second part of phase one of a database synchronization operation has completed.

Effect The extractor continues with the third part of phase one.

Recovery This is an informational message; no recovery is required.

768

Phase one part 3 database synchronization complete

Cause The third part of phase one of a database synchronization operation has completed.

Effect The extractor continues with phase two.

Recovery This is an informational message; no recovery is required.

769

Rolling over to *filename*

filename

is the name of the next image file in the sequence.

Cause The reporting process has filled the current image file and is ready to begin writing to the next file in the sequence. This next file is named in *filename*.

Effect The reporting process rolls over into the specified image file.

Recovery This is an informational message; no recovery is required.

770

RDF RDFNET process started

Cause The RDFNET process has successfully completed its initialization.

Effect The process starts its task of performing synchronized transactions on each of the primary nodes in the RDF network of RDF primary systems.

Recovery This is an informational message; no recovery is required.

771

Remote RDF receiver started

Cause The receiver has successfully completed its initialization.

Effect The receiver is prepared to receive data from the extractor.

Recovery This is an informational message; no recovery is required.

772

TMF is not running on the remote system

Cause The receiver has determined that TMF is not started on the RDF backup system.

Effect The receiver abends.

Recovery Start TMF on the backup system and then restart RDF.

773

Remote RDF updater started *vol => vol*

vol => vol

are the volume on the primary node that the updater is protecting and the corresponding volume to which it is writing on the backup node.

Cause The updater has successfully completed its initialization. The message includes the audited volume name and its corresponding update volume name.

Effect The updater is prepared to apply updates to the database on the backup node.

Recovery This is an informational message; no recovery is required.

774

Local RDF extractor started

Cause The extractor has successfully completed its initialization.

Effect The extractor will begin reading TMF audit data and transmitting it to the receiver.

Recovery This is an informational message; no recovery is required.

775

Restart position adjusted for database synchronization

Cause The extractor has encountered a restart condition during an online database synchronization operation, and its current audit trail restart position sent by the receiver might lead to loss of data.

Effect The extractor revises its restart location to an earlier point in the audit trail, thereby guaranteeing that no data will be lost.

Recovery This is an informational message; no recovery is required.

776

Remote RDF receiver shutdown complete

Cause The receiver has terminated normal processing as the result of a STOP TMF, STOP RDF, or TAKEOVER command.

Effect Normal RDF shutdown processing continues.

Recovery This is an informational message; no recovery is required.

777

Unexpected STOP SYNCH message received

Cause The extractor has received a STOP SYNCH message, but it is not involved in a database synchronization operation.

Effect The extractor abends.

Recovery This is an internal error. If no database synchronization operation was in progress, you must restart RDF. If a database synchronization operation was in progress, you must restart the entire operation from the beginning.

778

Remote RDF updater shutdown complete

Cause The updater has terminated normal processing as the result of a STOP TMF, STOP RDF, STOP UPDATE, or TAKEOVER command.

Effect Normal RDF shutdown processing continues. If this message is issued as the result of a STOP UPDATE command, RDF will continue processing with updating disabled.

Recovery This is an informational message; no recovery is required.

779

Local RDF extractor shutdown complete

Cause The extractor has terminated normal processing as the result of a STOP TMF or STOP RDF command.

Effect Normal RDF shutdown processing continues.

Recovery This is an informational message; no recovery is required.

780

Warning - Unapplied image record info in file *filename*
filename

is the name of the exception file.

Cause An updater is unable to apply image records for some transactions because a TAKEOVER command was executed and the commit, abort, or data records for the transactions were not sent to the backup system. The message includes the name of the exception file containing information about the image records that were not applied.

Effect If all the records for a transaction are not received on the backup node, the transaction is treated as if it aborted. For every image record that is not applied to the backup database, an exception record is written to the designated exception file.

Recovery This is a normal occurrence during TAKEOVER processing. The system manager can use RDFSNOOP to list the image records that were not applied to the backup database. The backup database will be consistent after the TAKEOVER operation, but some transactions that might have committed on the primary system might not be applied to the backup database.

781

RDF extractor transaction status table overflow

Cause The extractor's transaction status table that is used for online database synchronization operations has overflowed. This has happened because more than 650,000 transactions were started during the first TMP control point interval following the RDFCOM STOP SYNCH command, and these transactions are still active.

Effect The extractor abends.

Recovery You must initialize RDF to a new database synchronization timestamp and then restart the entire operation from the beginning.

782

Phase two database synchronization complete

Cause Phase two of the database synchronization involving the process generating this message has completed.

Effect If the process is the extractor, then all operations performed by the extractor for the database synchronization are complete, although the updaters might not have completed their work on the backup system.

If the process is an updater, then the backup database is synchronized for the volume protected by the particular updater.

Recovery This is an informational message; no recovery is required.

783

RDF receiver process is not running

Cause The monitor or extractor process could not open the remote receiver process after a communications failure.

Effect If the monitor or extractor process receives a file-system error 14 (process does not exist), RDF will shut down on the primary node.

Recovery If RDF was stopped on the remote node by a STOP RDF command while the communications lines were down, simply restart RDF by issuing a START RDF command.

784

Shutdown pending STOP UPDATE, TIMESTAMP *timestamp*
timestamp

is the specified timestamp.

Cause The process has received notice that an RDFCOM STOP UPDATE, TIMESTAMP command was executed.

Effect Each updater applies only audit data associated with transactions that committed prior to the specified timestamp.

Recovery This is an informational message; no recovery is required.

785

Redo pass ending on reaching timestamp *timestamp*

timestamp

is the timestamp specified previously by an operator in an RDFCOM STOP UPDATE, TIMESTAMP *timestamp* command.

Cause A STOP UPDATE, TIMESTAMP *timestamp* command has been issued and the updater has completed its redo pass.

Effect The updater is ready to commence its undo pass.

Recovery This is an informational message; no recovery is required.

786

STOP SYNCH message received

Cause The extractor has received notification of the RDFCOM STOP SYNCH command. This event represents the start of part one of phase 1 of the extractor's work in an online database synchronization operation.

Effect When the extractor encounters the next TMP control point record in the MAT, it enters phase one, part 1 processing.

Recovery This is an informational message; no recovery is required.

787

Image trail file position error *error* on *filename*. SNO *sno* RBA *rba*
error

error is the error number that identifies the specific error.

filename

filename is the name of the image trail file that contained the error.

sno

sno is the sequence number where the error occurred.

rba

rba is the relative byte address where the error occurred.

Cause The receiver or an updater has encountered the indicated error while attempting to position into an image file.

Effect The process abends.

Recovery Correct the problem that caused the error and then restart RDF.

788

ALLOCATESEGMENT failure. Returned status *status*

status

status is a status code reflecting information about the error.

Cause An RDF process received an error from the ALLOCATESEGMENT system procedure.

Effect This is a catastrophic error; the process abends, and RDF stops.

Recovery See the description of the ALLOCATESEGMENT procedure in the *Guardian Procedure Calls Reference Manual* to determine the cause of the failure. Once the underlying cause is corrected, you can restart RDF.

789

CHECKALLOCATESEGMENT failed with error *error*

error

error is the error number that identifies the specific error.

Cause The primary process of an RDF process pair received an error from the CHECKALLOCATESEGMENT system procedure.

Effect This error is not fatal; processing continues. The backup process is stopped and then re-created later.

Recovery See the description of the CHECKALLOCATESEGMENT procedure in the *Guardian Procedure Errors and Messages Manual* to determine the cause of the failure. Some corrective action might be required for the backup process to be re-created without repeated failures. The most likely cause is insufficient space available for swapping on the swap volume.

790

Backup process created in processor *cpu*

cpu

is the CPU in which the backup process was created.

Cause The backup process of a process pair was created in the specified processor.

Effect The primary process will now run in fault-tolerant mode.

Recovery This is an informational message; no recovery is required.

796

Image file creation error *error* on *filename*

error

is the file-system error number that identifies the specific error.

filename

is the name of the image file associated with the error.

Cause The receiver or purger process could not create the specified file due to the specified file-system error.

Effect This is a catastrophic error; the process abends and RDF stops.

Recovery Correct the underlying condition, then restart RDF.

797

Warning - Image file purge error *error#* on *filename* [File is currently opened by *proc-id*, *program-filename*]

error

is the file-system error number that identifies the specific error.

filename

is the name of the image file associated with the error.

proc-id

is the process ID of the opener process.

program-filename

is the program filename of the opener process.

Cause The purger process could not purge an image file that is no longer needed. The message includes the file-system error number and the name of the image file. If the image file is in use by another process, its process name or process ID is reported together with the program filename of the process that has the image file open.

Effect This is only a warning.

The process will retry the purge operation.

Recovery Correct the underlying condition, and then the process will purge the image file at the next opportunity.



NOTE: Under some circumstances, after the configured backup receiver process re-creates its primary process and switches to that process, it continues to hold an image file open. When the receiver no longer needs this image file and the purger tries to purge it, the purger logs RDF error 797 accompanied by file-system error 12. If the backup receiver process is the opener, you can manually stop the backup receiver process with the TACL STOP command; this clears the problem so that the next time the receiver stops or finishes with an image file, this file will be purged.

798

Image trail file open error *error on filename*

error

is the file-system error number that identifies the specific error.

filename

is the name of the image file associated with the error.

Cause An RDF process encountered the specified file-system error while attempting to open the specified file.

Effect The process abends, and RDF stops. The exception to this is an error 12 (file in use) issued when either the receiver or purger attempts to open the file. In this case, the process posts a short delay and then retries the operation, and it repeats these two steps until successful.

Recovery For an error 12 associated with an image file, perform a FUP LISTOPENS on the file to determine which process currently has the designated file open. If the process that has the image file open is not an RDF process, then stop that process.

In all other cases, restart RDF.

799

Image trail file read error *error on filename, RBA rba*

error

is the file-system error number that identifies the specific error.

filename

is the name of the image file associated with the error.

rba

is the relative byte address where the error occurred.

Cause An RDF process encountered an error while attempting to read an image file.

Effect This is a catastrophic error; the process abends, and RDF stops.

The message includes the error number returned by the READ system procedure, followed by the file name.

Recovery Restart RDF. If the condition persists, you might have to reinitialize RDF.

Preserve the designated image file and report the problem to your service provider.

800

Image trail file write error *error on filename*

error

is the file-system error number that identifies the specific error.

filename

is the name of the image file associated with the error.

Cause The receiver process encountered a file-system error while attempting to write to the specified file.

Effect The message includes the error number returned by the WRITE system procedure followed by the file name.

For error 43 (unable to obtain disk space for extent), the receiver retries the write operation. All other errors are fatal; the receiver abends, and RDF stops.

Recovery The only recovery from an error 43 condition is to free some disk space. You can do that by purging unused files, by using FUP DEALLOCATE to deallocate unused extents (not for image files), or by using DCOM to move extents so that small free areas are combined into a larger free space.

801

Internal error *code*

code

is an internal error code that provides further information about the error.

Cause An RDF process has detected an internal inconsistency.

Effect This error should never occur and is fatal to RDF.

Recovery Restart RDF. If the problem persists, then you will need to reinitialize RDF and report the error to your service provider.

802

Image trail file has bad RDF header record *filename*

filename

is the name of the image file associated with the error.

Cause An RDF process has encountered a bad header in an image file.

Effect A bad header indicates that the image file has been corrupted.

This is a catastrophic error; the process abends, and RDF stops.

Recovery Restart RDF. If the problem persists, then you will need to reinitialize RDF and report the error to your service provider.

803

Position error *error* on *filename*

error

is the file-system error number that identifies the specific error.

filename

is the name of the affected file.

Cause The RDFNET process has encountered the specified error on the specified file.

Effect The RDFNET process aborts its current transaction, posts a timer, and waits for that timer to expire before attempting a new transaction.

Recovery You should determine the cause of the error and take appropriate corrective action.

804

READUPDATELOCK error *error* on *filename*

error

is the file-system error number that identifies the specific error.

filename

is the name of the file on which the error occurred.

Cause The RDFNET process has encountered the specified error on the specified file.

Effect The RDFNET process aborts its current transaction, posts a timer, and waits for that timer to expire before attempting a new transaction.

Recovery You should determine the cause of the error and then take appropriate corrective action.

805

WRITEUPDATE error *error* on *file-name*

error

is the file-system error number that identifies the specific error.

filename

is the name of the file on which the error occurred.

Cause The RDFNET process has encountered the specified error on the specified file.

Effect The RDFNET process aborts its current transaction, posts a timer, and waits for that timer to expire before attempting a new transaction.

Recovery You should determine the cause of the error and then take appropriate corrective action.

806

RDF RDFNET process Shutdown Complete

Cause The RDFNET process has terminated normal processing as the result of a STOP TMF or STOP RDF command.

Effect Normal RDF shutdown processing continues.

Recovery This is an informational message; no recovery is required.

807

Update mode has been set ON

Cause The operator issued a START UPDATE command.

Effect RDF starts updating the backup database.

Recovery This is an informational message; no recovery is required.

808

Update mode has been set OFF

Cause The operator issued a STOP UPDATE command.

Effect RDF stops updating the backup database.

Recovery This is an informational message; no recovery is required.

809

Shutting down in response to STOP RDF

Cause The operator issued a STOP RDF command.

Effect The RDF process stops normally.

Recovery This is an informational message; no recovery is required.

810

Shutting down in response to STOP TMF, timestamp *timestamp*

timestamp

is the time of the shutdown.

Cause The operator issued a TMFCOM STOP TMF command at the primary node. *timestamp* is the time of that shutdown.

Effect The RDF process stops normally.

Recovery This is an informational message; no recovery is required.

811

RDF TAKEOVER initiated

- Cause** The operator issued a TAKEOVER command.
- Effect** RDF starts a TAKEOVER operation.
- Recovery** This is an informational message; no recovery is required.

812

Error *error* communicating with *procname*

error

is the file-system error number that identifies the specific error.

procname

is the name of the process with which the updater cannot communicate.

Cause The updater encountered a file-system error while attempting to communicate with the receiver or purger. The file-system error number and the name of the receiver or purger are included in the message.

Effect This is a catastrophic error; the updater abends, and RDF will abort.

Recovery Determine the cause of the error. If the receiver or purger did not abend, correct the condition, and restart RDF.

813

Concurrent file opens exceed capacity

Cause This message is reported by updater processes when the number of concurrent file opens exceeds the capacity of the table in which the updater maintains information about file opens.

Effect The updater will close idle files (if any) and continue. If there are no idle files, then the updater will close all files and establish a restart point from which processing can continue. In the latter case, there will be a performance degradation.

Recovery This is an informational message. If the condition persists, however, your database administrator should consider moving some of the files protected by TMF on the primary node volume to another volume, and adding another updater to back up the new volume. If you do that, you must synchronize the affected volumes on the primary and backup nodes.

814

Backup process takeover in processor *cpu*

cpu

is the number of the processor in which the backup process is now running.

Cause The primary process has stopped for some reason, perhaps a cpu failure.

Effect The backup process of the process pair has taken over.

Recovery This is an informational message, although you should determine why the primary process stopped and take corrective action if necessary.

815

Primary process takeover in processor *cpu*

cpu

is the number of the processor in which the primary process is now running.

Cause A new primary process has been created by the backup process, and the backup process has switched control to this primary process.

Effect The primary process of the process pair has taken over.

Recovery This is an informational message; no recovery is required.

816

Image trail file SETMODE error *error* on *filename*

error

is a file-system error number.

filename

is the name of the image file associated with the error.

Cause The receiver or purger process has encountered an error while attempting to perform a setmode operation on the specified file.

Effect The process abends.

Recovery Correct the problem that led to the error and restart RDF.

817

Shutting down in response to STOP UPDATE

Cause The operator issued a STOP UPDATE command, and the updater is stopping normally. This message is issued only by updater processes.

Effect The updater stops.

Recovery This is an informational message; no recovery is required.

818

SQL DDL operation aborting database synchronization

Cause While working on an online database synchronization operation, the extractor has encountered an RDF-Stop-Updater audit record. This record indicates that an SQL DDL operation with SHARED ACCESS altered the database on the primary system.

Effect This SQL DDL operation has altered the primary database from what was being duplicated to the backup system, thereby invalidating the online synchronization operation. The extractor abends.

Recovery You must initialize RDF to a new database synchronization timestamp and then restart the entire operation from the beginning.

819

RDF extractor stopped unexpectedly, *extractor*

extractor

is the name of the extractor process that stopped.

Cause The extractor has stopped unexpectedly. The message includes the name of the stopped process. The message might be expected during ZLT processing, depending on the timing conditions.

Effect This message is issued by the RDF monitor. The monitor sends an abort request to all remaining RDF processes to stop RDF.

Recovery A subsequent warm start of RDF might be possible, but the success of the restart depends on the nature of the failure that caused the original process to stop. If the message is issued during ZLT processing, no recovery is required.

820

RDF receiver stopped unexpectedly, *receiver*

receiver

is the name of the receiver process that stopped.

Cause The receiver has stopped unexpectedly. The message includes the name of the stopped process.

Effect This message is issued by the RDF monitor. The monitor sends an abort request to all remaining RDF processes to stop RDF.

Recovery A subsequent warm start of RDF might be possible, but the success of the restart depends on the nature of the failure that caused the original process to stop.

821

RDF updater stopped unexpectedly, *updater*
updater

is the name of the updater process that stopped.

Cause An updater has stopped unexpectedly. The message includes the name of the stopped process.

Effect This message is issued by the RDF monitor. The monitor sends an abort request to all remaining RDF processes to stop RDF.

Recovery A subsequent warm start of RDF will probably be successful, but the success of the restart depends on the nature of the failure that caused the original updater process to stop.

822

Shutting down in response to ABORT RDF

Cause An RDF process is being shut down by the RDF monitor following the premature loss of another RDF process.

Effect The process stops normally.

Recovery Scan the EMS event log to determine the original cause of the failure. It might be possible to restart RDF.

823

Network transaction to be kept: *%num num num num*
%num num num num

identifies a network transaction.

Cause This network transaction was committed in the audit trail on the primary system after the first network transaction marked for undo. It can be kept because it committed prior to the first network transaction marked for undo on a different node in the RDF network. Note, however, that this transaction could still be undone during final checking for business consistency across all backup nodes.

Effect This is an internal event. There is no effect.

Recovery This is an informational message; no recovery is required.

824

Missing RDF extractor config record, ATINDEX *audit-trail-index*

Cause The RDF monitor was unable to find an extractor configuration record when performing a START RDF command. The ATINDEX value in the message indicates the audit trail index for the extractor.

Effect The START operation fails and RDF shuts down.

Recovery Use the SET and ADD commands to create an extractor configuration record and then retry the START RDF command.

825

Missing RDF receiver config record, ATINDEX *audit-trail-index*

Cause The RDF monitor was unable to find a receiver configuration record when executing a START RDF command. The ATINDEX value in the message indicates the audit trail index for the receiver.

Effect The START operation fails and RDF shuts down.

Recovery Use the SET and ADD commands to create a receiver configuration record and then retry the START RDF command.

826

Missing RDF updater CONFIG record

Cause The RDF monitor was unable to find an updater configuration record when performing a START RDF command.

Effect The START operation fails and RDF shuts down.

Recovery Use the SET and ADD commands to create one or more updater configuration records.

827

RDF version incompatible with TMF

Cause The RDF process is not compatible with the audit format being generated by TMF.

Effect RDF stops.

Recovery Restart RDF under the correct version of the operating system and/or TMF.

828

Killing backup process ...

Cause The primary process of a process pair has detected a problem in communicating with the backup process. An earlier message will have indicated the communications problem.

Effect Because of the severity of the problem, the primary process attempts to stop the backup process. If the backup process stops, the primary process then attempts to create a new backup process.

Recovery This is an informational message; no recovery is required.

829

An RDF takeover operation was initiated on the backup system

Cause This message indicates that the monitor detected an RDF takeover operation was executed on the RDF backup system.

Effect This is a catastrophic error and will cause the RDF processes on the primary system to stop.

Recovery You must reinitialize RDF and you might need to synchronize your databases.

830

Warning - Network down when stopping process *name*

name

is the name of the RDF process that was not stopped.

Cause The RDF monitor is attempting to stop a process on the backup node but cannot do so because the communications lines are down.

Effect If a STOP RDF command was being processed, the RDF monitor continues with the shutdown, and all processes on the primary system will stop. The backup processes will remain running.

Recovery To stop the RDF processes on the backup system, you must run RDFCOM on the backup system and issue a second STOP RDF command.

Once all processes have stopped, RDF can be restarted when the network is restored.

831

RDF fatal error information *text*

text

is the stack trace.

Cause An RDF process is terminating abnormally.

Effect The equivalent of an INSPECT TRACE is written and then the process will abend.

Recovery This message gives your service provider information about the state of a process that is terminating abnormally.

You might be able to correct the underlying problem and restart RDF. Otherwise it might be necessary to reinitialize RDF.

832

Open error *error* on *filename*

error

is the file-system error number that identifies the specific error.

filename

is the name of the affected file.

Cause The RDFNET process obtained the specified error in attempting to open the specified file.

Effect The RDFNET process restarts.

Recovery You should determine the nature of the error and take corrective action.

833

Filtered audit of unknown type, *type*

type

specifies the type of audit.

Cause The extractor encountered an audit record it did not recognize.

Effect This is a fatal error; RDF shuts down.

Recovery This message probably is the result of running on a primary system that has had an audit trail created for a version of TMF that RDF does not support. The message could also mean that the audit trail file was corrupted by some program other than TMF, or that an irrecoverable system error has occurred.

In any event, you will have to reinitialize the TMF and RDF.

Save the audit trail, and report this error to your service provider.

834

Purge pass terminated prematurely. Reason: *reason*

reason

is a reason code.

Cause This message is issued by the purger if it has to terminate the current purge pass for one of a variety of reasons. The reason codes refer to the internal conditions that might be of use to support and development staff.

Effect The purger terminates the current purge pass. A new purge pass will be initiated after PURGETIME minutes.

Recovery This is an informational event. Under normal conditions, it should be logged infrequently. If the event appears regularly and if the purger stops purging files, then it could be an indication of throughput problems between the extractor and receiver processes. If this message persists, the purger has stopped purging old image files, and the extractor has not fallen behind, please contact your service provider.

835

RDFCOM *csv* *command-text* [issued by *userid*]

csv

specifies the RDF control subvolume of the affected RDF environment.

command-text

is the text of the command that was issued.

userid

if present, is the Guardian userid (*group.user*) of the user who issued the command.

Cause RDFCOM logs this message whenever you issue any of these commands: ALTER, INITIALIZE RDF, START RDF, START UPDATE, STOP RDF, STOP UPDATE, or TAKEOVER. *command-text* is the command text. If the event includes a *userid*, it indicates that the *userid* was not the RDF OWNER or that the *userid* was not the owner of the RDFCOM object file. The *userid* included in the message is the Guardian userid of the user who issued the associated command.

Effect The specified RDFCOM command is executed.

Recovery This is an informational message; no recovery is required.

836

Volume is not enabled for transaction processing

Volume

is the name of the affected volume.

Cause TMF reports that the specified updatevolume is not enabled. This might be the result of an earlier failure and the volume is still recovering, or the user has disabled the volume in TMFCOM.

Effect The updater is unable to apply updates to this volume until the datavol is enabled. The updater retries the operation every minute until the volume is enabled.

Recovery If the volume is recovering, the updater resumes processing once the volume becomes enabled. If the datavol has been manually disabled, you must enable the datavol to allow the updater to resume operations.

837

Info - Restarting at image trail file position SNO *sno* RBA *rba*

sno

is the sequence number of the image file in use at the updater restart.

rba

is the relative byte address in the image file where the updater restart occurred.

Cause This informational message is logged by an updater when it begins a restart operation. The image file sequence number and the relative byte address within that image file are included in the message.

Effect An updater restart is performed under a variety of circumstances, such as a failure in the primary CPU of the updater, a failure in the primary CPU of the corresponding disk process, or various file errors. The reason for the updater restart can be determined from previous messages. During an updater restart, file-system errors 10, 11, and 71 are not reported by the updater because they probably represent database operations that have already been performed.

Recovery Perform any corrective actions suggested by the preceding messages (actions such as reloading the appropriate CPU, correcting the underlying file error condition).

838

RDFNET process has terminated unexpectedly

Cause The RDFNET process has terminated unexpectedly.

Effect This message is issued by the RDF monitor. The monitor sends an abort request to all remaining RDF processes to stop RDF.

Recovery Determine the reason why the RDFNET process stopped, correct that problem, then restart RDF. If the problem persists, contact your service provider.

839

Error - Audit-trail file is missing. File *filename*

filename

is the name of the audit trail file that could not be found.

Cause The extractor was unable to find the designated audit trail file.

Usually this occurs because TMF has purged the audit trail file while RDF was stopped. When RDF is running, RDF prevents TMF from purging audit trail files until the extractor has read them, even if the extractor is running far behind TMF (the extractor has a large RTD value) and TMF has performed several rollovers. Use the STATUS RDF command to see the extractor's current RTD value.

Effect The extractor tries to open the audit trail file indefinitely unless an irrecoverable error occurs on the file.

Recovery Restore the audit trail file from tape by using SNOOP RESTOREAUDIT.

If copies of the audit trail have not been maintained, then you will have to reinitialize RDF, and resynchronize the primary and backup databases.

840

Error - Process name is in use, *procname*

procname

is the name of the process that is in use.

Cause A user-specified process name is already in use when the monitor tries to start the indicated process.

Effect The monitor shuts down RDF in an orderly manner.

Recovery If you can stop the process and give it another name, you can then simply restart RDF; otherwise, you will have to alter the name of the RDF process so that the name does not conflict with other process names.

841

Error - Unable to complete STOP UPDATE. Error *error*

error

is a file-system error number.

Cause The monitor was unable to send a shutdown message to an updater because of the indicated file-system error.

Effect The monitor terminates the attempt to send STOP UPDATE messages to any other updaters. It then sends an ABORT RDF message to all the other RDF processes and waits for them to stop.

Recovery If any updaters have not shutdown after the monitor has sent ABORT RDF messages, then you might have to terminate the surviving updaters manually using a TACL STOP command.

842

Error - START prevented by RDF TAKEOVER

Cause You issued a START RDF command, but the monitor detected that RDF has already processed a TAKEOVER command.

Effect The START RDF command fails.

Recovery The backup database is consistent and ready for use as a backup contingency database. Perform the rest of your installation-specific operations for switching to the backup node (for example, reroute your communications and start your applications).

If you performed the TAKEOVER operation inadvertently, you will need to issue an INITIALIZE RDF command and resynchronize the databases.

843

Incorrect version of audit received

Cause The receiver has received audit from the extractor that does not match the version of audit that the receiver expects.

Effect The receiver abends.

Recovery This is an internal error. Contact your service provider.

844

Phase one database synchronization complete

Cause The updater that generated this message has completed phase one of the online synchronization operation for its volume on the backup system.

Effect The updater starts phase two of the online synchronization operation.

Recovery This is an informational message; no recovery is required.

845

Initialization synchronization completed

Cause The updater that generated this message has completed its synchronization work for RDF initialization to an initialization timestamp.

Effect The updater resumes its normal processing.

Recovery This is an informational message; no recovery is required.

846

RDF TAKEOVER during database synchronization

Cause When the updater completed its RDF Takeover operation, it had not yet completed its role in an online database synchronization.

Effect The database might not be in a consistent state.

Recovery There is no recovery. If you lose your primary system during an online database synchronization, the backup database has not yet been synchronized, and its data therefore might not be consistent.

847

RDF TAKEOVER during initialization synchronization

Cause When the updater completed its RDF Takeover operation, it had not yet completed its role in an INITIALIZE RDF...INITTIME operation.

Effect The database might not be in a consistent state.

Recovery There is no recovery. If you lose your primary system while the updaters are trying to catch up from an INITIALIZE RDF...INITTIME operation, the backup database has not yet been synchronized, and the data in it therefore might not be consistent.

848

RDF extractor waiting for network reply

Cause The extractor has sent the maximum number of messages to the receiver and it has not received any replies for at least five minutes.

Effect The extractor cannot proceed any further.

Recovery This is not an RDF problem. You should investigate your Expand network and take corrective action. If necessary, you can issue a STOP RDF command on both primary and backup systems to stop the RDF processes in an orderly fashion.

849

TMF Shutdown before phase one of database synchronization

Cause TMF was stopped during an RDF online database synchronization operation, before the extractor had completed its phase one processing.

Effect The extractor abends because the database synchronization operation can no longer succeed.

Recovery You must reinitialize the RDF product and restart the online database synchronization operation.

850

TMF Shutdown during phase one of database synchronization

Cause TMF was stopped during an RDF online database synchronization operation, after the extractor had completed its phase one, part 1 processing.

Effect The extractor completes phases one and two of its database synchronization processing and then shuts down in response to the TMF shutdown audit record.

Recovery This is an informational message; no recovery is required. When you restart the RDF product, ensure that the duplicate database tables and files have been moved to the backup system before you start the updaters.

851

Too many nodes in network transactions

Cause The RDF product cannot support an environment where transactions involving the RDF primary system have originated on more than 255 different nodes. The receiver has encountered transactions that have originated on more than 255 nodes.

Effect The receiver abends and the RDF system aborts.

Recovery Recovery is not possible. Contact your service provider.

852

STOP RDF, DRAIN completed. All updaters have stopped

Cause A STOP RDF, DRAIN command has completed successfully.

Effect This RDF environment shuts down.

Recovery This is an informational message; no recovery is required.

853

Purger TST filled

Cause In determining what transactions need to be undone, the internal table of transactions has become filled.

Effect RDF aborts.

Recovery Contact your service provider for assistance with recovering from this situation.

854

ZTXUNDO file cannot be opened

Cause While attempting to write the list of transactions that need to be undone to the ZTXUNDO file, that file could not be opened.

Effect RDF aborts.

Recovery If the operation involves an RDF takeover, take corrective action to enable the file to be opened and then reissue the TAKEOVER command.

If the operation involves a stop-update-to-time operation, take corrective action to enable the file to be opened and then restart RDF. If you still want to bring the backup database into a consistent state, you will need to issue a new STOP UPDATE, *TIMESTAMP timestamp* command specifying a new timestamp.

855

RDF transaction already aborted

Cause The named RDF process has encountered an error condition that requires that its last transaction be aborted, but the transaction has already been aborted.

Effect The process restarts and continues processing.

Recovery This is an informational message; no recovery is required.

856

Commencing image trail purge pass

Cause The purger process is ready to start the task of determining what image files it can purge.

Effect The purger purges any image trail files that are no longer required by RDF.

Recovery This is an informational message; no recovery is required.

857

Error *error* on ENDTRANSACTION encountered

error

is an error number.

Cause The named RDF process has encountered an error when attempting to end its current transaction.

Effect The process aborts the current transaction, restarts and continues processing.

Recovery This is an informational message; no recovery is required.

858

A safe File Recovery position does not exist

Cause A network takeover operation has completed, but, for this particular node in the RDF network, there is no safe MAT position with which you can issue a File Recovery operation on your primary system should that node become available again.

Effect There is no effect.

Recovery This is an informational message; no recovery is required.

859

Error *error* on BEGINTRANSACTION encountered

error

is an error number.

Cause The named RDF process has encountered the specified error when attempting to begin a new transaction.

Effect The process either restarts or abends, depending on the error.

Recovery See the description of BEGINTRANSACTION errors in the *TMF Application Programmer's Guide* and take appropriate corrective action, if necessary.

860

Fatal error *error* on BEGINTRANSACTION encountered

error

is an error number.

Cause The named RDF process has encountered the specified error when attempting to begin a new transaction.

Effect The process abends and RDF will abort.

Recovery See the description of BEGINTRANSACTION errors in the *TMF Application Programmer's Guide* and take appropriate corrective action.

861

Extractor *processname* RTD (*rtd*) exceeds RTD warning threshold (*threshold#*)

processname

is an extractor process name.

rtd

is an RTD value.

threshold#

is an RTDWARNING warning threshold value.

Cause The extractor has fallen behind the configured RTDWARNING threshold specified in the RDF configuration.

Effect The extractor continues normal processing.

Recovery This is an informational message. You should, however, try to determine why the extractor has fallen behind and take corrective action if necessary.

862

Updater *processname* RTD (*rtd*) exceeds RTD warning threshold (*threshold#*)

processname

is an updater process name.

rtd

is an RTD value.

threshold#

is an RTDWARNING warning threshold value.

Cause The specified updater has fallen behind the configured updater RTDWARNING threshold.

Effect The updater continues normal processing.

Recovery This is an informational message. You should, however, try to determine why the updater has fallen behind and take corrective action, if necessary.

863

Missing RDFNET CONFIG record

Cause The RDF monitor process was unable to find the RDFNET configuration record when performing a START RDF command.

Effect The START RDF operation fails and RDF shuts down.

Recovery Restart RDF. If the record is still missing, then you might have to reinitialize RDF.

864

SQL Shared Access DDL record found during undo pass

Cause The updater has encountered audit associated with an SQL Shared Access DDL operation during undo processing for a stop-update-to-time operation.

Effect The updater terminates immediately, and the stop-update-to-time operation is unsuccessful. This situation happened because you had a transaction on your primary system that started before your SQL Shared Access DDL operation and was still active after it.

Recovery Restart the updaters. If you need to bring the backup database into a stable state, you will have to issue a later time that is later than your previous time.

865

Missing purger config record

Cause The purger configuration record is not in the RDF configuration file.

Effect The reporting process abends and RDF will abort.

Recovery Restart RDF. If the problem persists, contact your service provider.

866

RDF purger stopped unexpectedly

Cause The purger process has terminated unexpectedly.

Effect RDF aborts.

Recovery Determine why the purger stopped, and then restart RDF. If the problem persists, contact your service provider.

867

Remote RDF purger shutdown complete

Cause The purger process has stopped.

Effect RDF continues to shut down.

Recovery This is an informational message; no recovery is required.

868

Commencing the undo pass

Cause The updater has terminated its redo pass and is now starting an undo pass to back out changes for audit data that has been applied and must now be undone. If the updater is involved in an RDF takeover operation, it must undo changes previously made that were associated with transactions on the primary system whose final outcome is unknown. If the updater was involved in a stop-update-to-time operation, it must undo any changes previously made for transactions on the primary system that were not resolved when the shutdown timestamp was reached.

Effect The updater commences undo processing.

Recovery This is an informational message; no recovery is required.

870

No image files present on image trail

Cause The purger process could not find any image files on the image trail subvolume.

Effect The purger process abends, causing RDF to shut down.

Recovery This is an internal error. Report this to your service provider.

872

Warning; Lockstep operation is denied

Cause An application has attempted an RDF lockstep operation but you have not configured RDF for lockstep operations.

Effect No lockstep operations can take place, and the lockstep gateway process abends.

Recovery This is a warning. If you want lockstep operations, you must stop RDF and create a new RDF configuration with the RDF LOCKSTEPVOL attribute set.

873

Remote RDF purger started

Cause The purger has started as the result of a START RDF command.

Effect The purger commences normal processing.

Recovery This is an informational message; no recovery is required.

874

SEGMENT_ALLOCATE_ returned error *error*, *error-detail#*

error

is an error number.

error-detail#

is the detailed error number.

Cause The specified error occurred while attempting to allocate an extended segment.

Effect The affected process abends and RDF will abort.

Recovery Try to determine why the segment could not be allocated. Take appropriate corrective action and restart RDF.

875

Incompatible file format *filenameformatfileformat*, audit *auditformat*

filename

is the filename.

fileformat

specifies the format of the file.

auditformat

specifies the format of the audit trail.

Cause The updater process has detected that the file format and the audit format do not agree. The event shows the file format and the audit format.

Effect The process abends and RDF will abort.

Recovery The file must be altered or recreated with the correct file format and then RDF can be restarted.

876

Imagetrail safe position: SNO *sno* RBA *rba*

sno

is the sequence number.

rba

is the relative byte address.

Cause This is an imagetrail safe position.

Effect This is an internal event. There is no effect.

Recovery This is an informational message for historical purposes about a pending undo pass. No recovery action is required.

877

First network transaction to be undone: %num *num num num*

%num *num num num*

identifies a network transaction.

Cause This is the first transaction that requires network undo with respect to local processing. Note, however, that some transactions preceding it might also require undo for business consistency across all backup nodes. The transid is listed in internal format.

Effect This is an internal event. There is no effect.

Recovery This is an informational message for historical purposes about a network undo pass. No recovery is required.

878

Invalid image filename or filecode [*ANSI-object-type* *ANSI-name*, Partition *partition-id*,] file *filename*

ANSI-object-type

is the ANSI object type (for example, table, index, and so on.).

ANSI-name

is the ANSI name of the SQL/MX object that encountered the error.

partition-id

is the partition ID of the SQL/MX object that encountered the error.

filename

is the Guardian filename of the file that encountered the error.

Cause The purger process has found a file or table in an image trail subvolume where the filename either does not contain a valid file-sequence number, or the filecode is not 720.

Effect The purger process will not process any more files in that particular subvolume. The operation will be attempted again after PURGETIME minutes.

Recovery The file or table being reported was not created by RDF and is not part of the RDF environment. It must be manually purged or renamed out of the image subvolume before the purger process can continue normal processing.

879

Audit attribute not set for [*ANSI-object-type* *ANSI-name*, Partition *partition-id*,] file *filename*

ANSI-object-type

is the ANSI object type (for example, table, index, and so on.).

ANSI-name

is the ANSI name of the SQL/MX object that encountered the error.

partition-id

is the partition ID of the SQL/MX object that encountered the error.

filename

is the Guardian filename of the file that encountered the error.

Cause The specified table or file on the backup system does not have its audit attribute set.

Effect The updater waits until the audit attribute is turned on.

Recovery Turn on the audit attribute for the specified table or file.

880

Takeover issued during a stop-update-to-time operation

Cause A TAKEOVER command was issued while a stop-update-to-time operation was in progress.

Effect The process abends, and RDF will abort.

Recovery You need to reissue the RDFCOM TAKEOVER command. This will ensure that the stop-update-to-time operation has been aborted and the RDF subsystem is prepared to execute the takeover operation.

881

Aborting current RDF process transaction

Cause The named RDF process has encountered a restart condition and must abort its current transaction.

Effect The process aborts the transaction and restarts.

Recovery This is an informational message. You must examine the event log to determine why the process is restarting and if any recovery action is required.

882

RDF process transaction unilaterally aborted

Cause The named RDF process' current transaction has been aborted by TMF and the disk process.

Effect The process restarts.

Recovery This is an informational message. You must examine the event log to determine why the process is restarting and if any recovery action is required.

883

Physical volumes in pool exceed the limit of 15

Cause The updater is configured to a virtual SMF disk that consists of more than 15 physical disks. This configuration is not supported by the RDF product.

Effect The updater abends and the RDF subsystem shuts down.

Recovery Reset your RDF configuration and/or your SMF configuration so that the updaters are either assigned to physical volumes, or your SMF virtual disks map to 15 or fewer physical volumes.

884

The RDFNET process is restarting

Cause The RDFNET process encountered a condition that caused it to restart.

Effect The process restarts and resumes normal processing.

Recovery Examine the preceding events for this process to try to determine why the process is restarting. Take corrective action if necessary.

885

Updater phase one takeover processing complete

Cause The updater has completed the local undo processing phase.

Effect The updater is ready to commence the next phase of undo processing.

Recovery This is an informational message; no recovery is required.

886

Updater phase three takeover processing complete

Cause The updater has reached the end of network undo takeover processing for an RDF network environment.

Effect The updater is ready to complete takeover processing.

Recovery This is an informational message; no recovery is required.

887

Process trapped. Signal *sig-num*

sig-num

is the signal number associated with the trap.

Cause The process reporting the event experienced an internal error and has trapped. The message indicates the signal number associated with the trap.

Effect The process abends.

Recovery This is an internal error. Preserve the saveabend file created and report the incident to your service provider.

888

MAT position for File Recovery: SNO *num* RBA *num*

Cause A successful takeover has completed. If you need to bring your primary database back into synchronization with your backup database, use TMF File Recovery on your primary system with the specified MAT position.

Effect None.

Recovery This is an informational message. See the TMF Manual for information about TMF File Recovery to an audit trail position (TOMATPOSITION).

889

Purger restarting on attempt to build network undo list

Cause The purger has been attempting to build the network undo list, but it has either encountered a network error or it has been waiting too long for information it needs.

Effect The purger begins another attempt to build the list.

Recovery This is an informational message. You should examine the event log to see if the purger has reported a network error and take corrective action if required. If no errors have been reported, then the purger is waiting for another purger in the RDF network to complete work. If this is the case, you have no recovery action. The local purger will retry until the remote purger has completed the required work.

890

Purger attempting to build network undo list

Cause The purger is ready to try to build the network undo list. This event indicates that this is the purger's first attempt or it is about to retry the operation because of a previous failure.

Effect The purger starts an attempt to build the list.

Recovery This is an informational message; no recovery is required.

891

First network transaction to be undone: %*identifier*

identifier

is the transaction identifier.

Cause This is the first transaction that requires network undo with respect to business consistency across all backup nodes. All transactions that committed after this transaction are undone on this node except those transactions that can be safely kept because they actually committed before this transaction on one or more different primary nodes in the RDF network. The transaction identifier is listed in internal format.

Effect This is an internal event. There is no effect.

Recovery This is an informational message for historical purposes about a network undo pass. No recovery action is required.

892

Image file *filename* is missing

filename

is the name of the missing image file.

Cause An updater has attempted to roll over to the specified image file, but that file is missing.

Effect The updater retries until the file is restored (the event message is repeated every minute until the file has been restored).

Recovery Restore the missing file to the image trail.

893

Stop Update to Time Operation rejected

Cause You attempted to issue a new STOP UPDATE, TIMESTAMP command, but the existing ZTXUNDO list from your last stop-update-to-time operation is still needed.

Effect The command is aborted.

Recovery Wait until all RDF updaters have been started and have caught up, then retry the operation. If you get this event message again, stop the RDF product, then restart it. After RDF starts you might issue another STOP UPDATE, TIMESTAMP command.

894

SQL NSA operation detected at SNO *sno* RBA *rba*

sno

is the sequence number.

rba

is the relative byte address.

Cause The auxiliary receiver has detected information about an SQL SHARED ACCESS DDL operation associated with the specified SNO and RBA in the Master Audit Trail (MAT) on your primary system.

Effect The auxiliary receiver coordinates stopping its updaters at the correct location.

Recovery This is an informational message. When all updaters on all trails have shut down for the SQL NSA operation, you can execute the same DDL operation on your backup system. After having done this, you might restart your updaters.

895

File incomplete record encountered during stop-update-to-time operation

Cause You have performed a stop-update-to-time operation, but not all the volumes on the RDF primary system are up and recovered.

Effect The operation is aborted, and the RDF subsystem aborts.

Recovery You can restart the RDF product immediately, but you cannot perform a new stop-update-to-time operation until you have enabled all RDF protected volumes on your primary system.

896

Updater phase two takeover processing complete

Cause The updater has reached the end of file incomplete undo takeover processing for an RDF environment.

Effect The updater is ready to complete takeover processing.

Recovery This is an informational message; no recovery is required.

898

SQL NSA operation detected in network undo operation

Cause An SQL SHARED ACCESS DDL operation was detected during the network undo phase of the RDF takeover operation.

Effect The updater abends, and the takeover operation aborts.

Recovery Recovery might not be possible. Contact your service provider.

899

Too many transactions for undo processing. Repeat the operation.

Cause The updater has detected more than the default maximum number of transactions that need to be undone. This exceeds the number of transactions that can currently be loaded into memory.

Effect The updater abends, and the takeover operation aborts.

Recovery If this happens during a takeover operation, reissue the TAKEOVER command. When the updater restarts the table will automatically be resized to accommodate the required number of transactions. If this happens in a stop-update-to-time operation, restart RDF and issue a new STOP UPDATE, TIMESTAMP command at a time when there are fewer transactions active.

900

Extractor has finished ZLT processing

Cause The extractor has sent all remaining audit from the remote mirror(s) on the ZLT standby system to the backup system.

Effect The extractor shuts down.

Recovery This is an informational message; no recovery is required.

901

Extractor is started for ZLT processing

Cause The extractor is started on the ZLT standby system for ZLT processing.

Effect The extractor reads and sends all remaining audit from the remote mirror(s) connected to the ZLT standby system to the receiver on the backup system.

Recovery This is an informational message; no recovery is required.

902

The remote mirror for *volume* is missing

volume

is a volume name.

Cause The extractor has determined that the specified remote mirror is not connected to the ZLT standby system or that an expected audit trail file is missing.

Effect The extractor abends.

Recovery Connect all required remote mirrors to the ZLT standby system and then re-issue the RDF TAKEOVER command. If you have already connected all remote mirrors and you get this event, then you already have all audit needed for the takeover operation. To allow the takeover operation to complete, disable the REMOTE MIRROR attribute in your RDF configuration with this RDFCOM command: ALTER RDF REMOTE MIRROR OFF. Then re-issue the RDF TAKEOVER command.

903

Receiver has finished ZLT processing

Cause All remaining audit from the ZLT standby system has been received and stored in the image trails for this receiver.

Effect If this message comes from the master receiver, then normal RDF TAKEOVER processing is ready to proceed. If it comes from an auxiliary receiver, then normal RDF TAKEOVER processing does not start until the master receiver has finished ZLT processing.

Recovery This is an informational message; no recovery is required.

904

Auxiliary receiver is catching up

Cause The master receiver has found a TMF shutdown record. The auxiliary receiver reporting this event is working to catch up to the corresponding point.

Effect The master receiver waits until all auxiliary receivers have caught up. The auxiliary receiver might continue to report this event as it continues to catch up.

Recovery If the master receiver has been waiting for more than 30 seconds, you should check the status of all auxiliary extractors and receivers with the RDFCOM STATUS PROCESS command. If you see this event when attempting to issue an RDF TAKEOVER operation, you should manually stop all RDF processes on the backup system and then reissue the RDFCOM TAKEOVER command.

905

SQL DDL operation must not be performed

Cause You have completed an SQL DDL operation WITH SHARED ACCESS for a file on your primary system, but one or more updaters has terminated prematurely before having processed all required audit.

Effect It is not yet safe for you to execute this DDL operation on the backup system.

Recovery Issue the RDFCOM START UPDATE command. You must not execute this DDL operation on the backup database until the RDF 908 event has been logged.

906

Process creation error *nnn nnn*, file *filename*

nnn nnn

are the error number and error detail returned by the PROCESS_CREATE_ system procedure.

filename

is the name of the program file that was to be executed.

Cause The process encountered an error while attempting to create an RDF process. The error fields reported in the message are the error number and error detail returned by the PROCESS_CREATE_ system procedure followed by the filename of the program that was to be run.

Effect The process is not started, and RDF shuts down.

Recovery See the description of the PROCESS_CREATE_ procedure in the *Guardian Procedure Calls Reference Manual* to determine the cause of the failure. Once the underlying cause is corrected, RDF can be restarted.

907

Backup process creation error *nnn nnn*, file *filename*

nnn nnn

are the error number and error detail returned by the PROCESS_CREATE_ system procedure.

filename

is the name of the program file that was to be executed.

Cause The primary process of an RDF NonStop process pair encountered an error while attempting to create its backup process. The error fields reported in the message are the error number and error detail returned by the PROCESS_CREATE_ system procedure followed by the filename of the program that was to be run.

This error will occur if one or more parameters in the configuration file are incorrect, if the required processor is not running, or if there are insufficient resources.

Effect The backup process is not started. The primary continues to run, but will be vulnerable to a CPU failure. The primary will try to create its backup repeatedly until it succeeds.

Recovery See the description of the PROCESS_CREATE_ procedure in the *Guardian Procedure Calls Reference Manual* to determine the cause of the failure. Once the underlying cause is corrected, the backup process can be created.

908

A file is prepared for SQL DDL operation

Cause You have completed an SQL DDL operation WITH SHARED ACCESS for a file on your primary system, and all updaters have processed the required audit. It is now safe for you to execute the same DDL operation on the backup database. To obtain the name of the source file involved in the operation on the primary system, look for the last RDF 733 event, which lists the name of the file.

Effect You must execute the DDL operation on the backup database before you restart the updaters.

Recovery This is an informational message; no recovery is required.

909

Trigger CPUs for *trigger-type* trigger are unavailable

trigger-type

is the trigger type, REVERSE or TAKEOVER.

Cause Neither the primary nor alternate CPUs for the configured trigger are available.

Effect The trigger is started in an alternate CPU.

Recovery This is an informational message; no recovery is required.

910

Update stopped as a result of a STOP UPDATE command

Cause The purger logs this event whenever all updaters have stopped following a STOP UPDATE command.

Effect The updater processes are stopped.

Recovery This is an informational message; no recovery is required.

911

Updaters stopped before STOP RDF, DRAIN has completed

Cause The purger has detected that all the updaters have stopped, but at least one updater stopped prematurely and did not drain all audit.

Effect The STOP RDF, DRAIN is not complete.

Recovery Restart RDF and issue a new STOP RDF, DRAIN command.

912

Starting *trigger-type* trigger using *object-file*

trigger-type

is the trigger type, REVERSE or TAKEOVER.

object-file

is the name of the Guardian object file to be executed.

Cause The purger is about to start the user-configured trigger process.

Effect The trigger process is started.

Recovery This is an informational message; no recovery is required.

914

Trigger process completed. [Completion Code: *num*] [Termination Text: *text*] [The process is abended.]

num

is the completion code.

text

is the termination text.

Cause The purger has seen that the user specified trigger process has stopped. The message might include completion code and/or termination text information that indicates why the process stopped. If the process abended that will also be indicated.

Effect The trigger process is stopped.

Recovery There is no set recovery procedure. See the Guardian Procedure Errors and Messages Manual for a description of completion codes.

915

Drain operation complete but a primary volume is down

Cause A STOP RDF, DRAIN or STOP RDF, REVERSE command has completed but RDF has detected that a volume on the primary node is down.

Effect Any transactions that touched the affected volume that were active when the volume went down are unresolved (on both the primary and backup systems). If this event is the result of a STOP RDF, REVERSE, the REVERSE trigger is not executed.

Recovery Repair and bring up the affected volume, restart RDF and repeat the operation.

916

File create error *err* on *filename*

err

is a Guardian error number.

filename

is the name of the file that could not be created.

Cause The process that reported this event could not create the specified file. The attempt to create the file returned the specified Guardian error.

Effect The file is not created and the effect on RDF depends on which process reported the error and on what it was attempting to do at the time.

Recovery If possible, the user should attempt to correct the underlying problem or seek assistance from their service provider.

917

Shared access DDL operation encountered while DRAIN or REVERSE is pending

Cause A STOP RDF, DRAIN (or REVERSE) operation is being processed and the RDF extractor encountered a shared access DDL operation in the TMF audit trail.

Effect These two operations cannot be processed concurrently, which causes RDF to abort.

Recovery Restart RDF and the shared access DDL operation will be processed as normal. Having completed the shared access DDL operation, a new STOP RDF, DRAIN (or REVERSE) command can be issued.

918

STOP TMF record encountered while DRAIN or REVERSE is pending

Cause A STOP RDF, DRAIN (or REVERSE) operation is being processed and the RDF extractor encountered a STOP TMF record in the TMF audit trail.

Effect These two operations cannot be processed concurrently, which causes RDF to abort.

Recovery Restart RDF and the STOP TMF record will be processed as normal. Once RDF has stopped as a result of the STOP TMF record, RDF can be restarted and a new STOP RDF, DRAIN (or REVERSE) command can be issued.

919

Extractor will try again to process a critical audit record

Cause The extractor has encountered a critical audit record that pertains to either a STOP TMF operation or a NonStop SQL/MP or NonStop SQL/MX DDL operation WITH SHARED ACCESS, and the Monitor was unable to communicate information about the operation to another RDF process. See the most recent RDF Event 701 for details.

Effect The extractor delays for a short period of time and then tries to process this audit record again.

Recovery See the most recent RDF event 701 and take corrective action. When you have corrected that problem, the extractor can proceed with processing this critical audit record.

920

[Exception Reason: *exception-cause*]

[An unknown exception occurred, type *type*]

exception-cause

is the cause for the exception.

type

is the unknown exception type.

Cause The specified process has encountered a critical exception and has trapped. If possible, the event will have a text description of the reason for the exception. If not, the numeric type of the exception is indicated.

Effect The process abends, and RDF will abort.

Recovery Take corrective action to alleviate the cause of the exception, if possible, and restart RDF. If the cause of the exception is not immediately obvious, contact your service provider.

921

The updater's MAPFILE *filename* is not an edit file.

Cause The updater has detected that the mapfile is not an edit file.

Effect The updater stops and RDF aborts.

Recovery Provide an edit file, then restart RDF.

922

Mapping string *mapping-string* is invalid [at position *index*] in the MAPFILE *filename*. Cause *cause*

mapping-string

identifies the invalid mapping string.

index

is the string index at which the mapping string is invalid.

filename

is the name of the updater mapfile specified in the updater configuration.

cause

identifies the reason for the mapping string to be invalid.

Cause The updater has detected that the specified mapping string is invalid. The position, if included in the event, indicates the string index at which the mapping string is invalid. The event also includes a description of the reason for the string to be invalid.

Effect The updater stops and RDF aborts.

Recovery Correct the mapping string in the mapfile, and restart RDF.

926

The MAPFILE *filename* is not found

filename

is the name of the updater mapfile specified in the updater configuration.

Cause The updater has detected that the specified mapfile is not found.

Effect The updater stops and RDF aborts.

Recovery Provide an existing mapfile, and restart RDF.

927

Filenames *filename1* and *filename2* collide on the same physical filename *filename3* on the backup system

filename1

is the name of one colliding file on the primary system.

filename2

is the name of another colliding file on the backup system.

filename3

is the name of a physical file on the backup system on which the two files are colliding.

Cause The updater has detected that a name collision has occurred on the specified filenames due to subvolume name mapping. Either two subvolumes on the primary system are mapped to the same subvolume on the backup system, or the primary system subvolume name of one mapping string matches with the backup subvolume name of another mapping string.

Effect The updater abandons and RDF aborts.

Recovery Correct the mapping string in the mapfile, and restart RDF.

928

\$ character detected in the mapping string *mapping-string* at position *index* in the MAPFILE *filename*

mapping-string

identifies the invalid mapping string.

index

is the string index at which the \$ character is detected.

filename

is the name of the updater mapfile specified in the updater configuration.

Cause The updater has detected the \$ character in the specified mapping string. The volume name is not allowed in the mapping string. The position indicates the string index at which the \$ character is found.

Effect The updater stops and RDF aborts.

Recovery Correct the mapping string in the mapfile, and restart RDF.

929

The updater's MAPLOG *filename* is not an edit file

filename

is the name of the updater maplog specified in the updater configuration.

Cause The updater has detected that the maplog is not an edit file.

Effect The updater stops and RDF will abort.

Recovery Provide an edit file, and restart RDF.

931

Stopping update for an SQL DDL operation on *<ANSI-Name>*.

<ANSI-Name>

is the identity of the target name of the affected SQL object on the backup system.

Cause The updater has found a Stop-RDF-Updater record in the image trail. This special record is generated in the TMF audit trail on the primary system when an SQL DDL operation

WITH SHARED ACCESS involving the specified table or index has completed. Each updater stops when it reaches this record in the audit trail.

Effect All the updaters stop.

Recovery When all updaters have stopped, you must perform the same SQL DDL operation on the RDF backup node that was originally done on the primary node. When this operation has been performed, start the updaters using the START UPDATE command. If START UPDATE command is issued before performing the operation, it will corrupt the database on the RDF backup system.



CAUTION: You must not start the updaters until you have performed the DDL operation on your backup. Otherwise, you will corrupt your database on the RDF backup system.

RDFCOM Messages

The following pages list all messages generated by RDFCOM. These messages appear on your terminal screen during an RDFCOM session. Alternatively, they can be directed to another output device or file through the OUT command, issued during an RDFCOM session or the OUT parameter entered in the RDFCOM command that begins the session. The messages appear in alphabetic order by message text.

`$ character detected in the mapping string mapping-string in the MAPFILE filename`

mapping-string

is the erroneous mapping string specified in the mapfile.

filename

is the name of the updater mapfile specified in the updater configuration.

Cause RDFCOM detected a \$ character in the mapping string specified in the updater mapfile when an ADD VOLUME, ALTER VOLUME, START RDF, START UPDATE, or VALIDATE CONFIGURATION command was being executed.

Effect The command fails.

Recovery Correct the mapping string by removing the \$ character, then reenter the command.

`Allocation error error# on IMAGETRAIL volume-name`

error#

is the file-system error number that identifies the specific error.

volume-name

is the image trail volume on which insufficient storage exists.

Cause During execution of a START RDF command or a VALIDATE CONFIGURATION command, RDFCOM determined that sufficient disk storage for image files did not exist in each secondary image trail for at least one additional image file. As one of its validation checks during processing of these commands, RDFCOM tries to create a temporary image file on the IMAGETRAIL volume and then attempts to allocate all extents for it. This allocation failed for the reason indicated by the file-system number *error#*.

Effect The command fails.

Recovery See the *Guardian Procedure Errors and Messages Manual* for a description of and recovery actions for the file-system error. Correct the error indicated by *error#*. This might necessitate altering the IMAGETRAIL configuration parameter to specify a new volume for the secondary image trail. Then, reenter the START RDF or VALIDATE command.

`ALTER Failed: error#`

error#

is the file-system error number that identifies the specific error.

Cause An ALTER command failed.

Effect The ALTER operation was not completed.

Recovery See the *Operator Messages Manual* for a description of the error code. For additional details about understanding and correcting file-system errors, see the *Guardian Procedure Errors and Messages Manual*. If possible, correct the error and reenter the command that encountered the error. Otherwise, see your system manager.

ALTER of this element cannot be performed with RDF up

Cause An ALTER command was issued for a non-runtime ALTER option.

Effect The command fails.

Recovery Either shut down RDF and reenter the ALTER command, or select another command to enter.

ALTER of this element cannot be performed with updaters running

Cause An ALTER command was issued for a non-runtime ALTER option.

Effect The command fails.

Recovery Stop updating by entering the STOP UPDATE command through RDFCOM, and then reenter the ALTER command.

ALTER RECEIVER RDFVOLUME is no longer supported

Cause RDFCOM no longer supports this command.

Effect The command fails.

Recovery Select another command.

Ambiguous timestamp for operation

Cause RDFCOM could not resolve an ambiguous timestamp after a change to Local Civil Time (LCT) when the LCT was changed relative to Greenwich Mean Time (GMT). In this situation, two LCTs map to the same GMT and it is impossible to determine the correct intended time.

This problem typically occurs in Autumn, when the clock is set back from Daylight Savings Time. If you specify an RDF initialization timestamp between 1:00AM and 2:00AM on that day, the intended time is ambiguous. Did you mean before the clock was turned back or after? To eliminate this ambiguity, a specified RDF initialization timestamp in this one-hour interval is reported as an error.

Effect Initialization is aborted.

Recovery Reinitialize RDF specifying a timestamp that is earlier than the ambiguous time.

A partial RDF TAKEOVER has completed

Cause You issued a STATUS RDF command after a TAKEOVER command has completed, but one or more updater processes had terminated prematurely and was therefore unable to process all applicable image audit data.

Effect The primary and backup databases are inconsistent.

Recovery To determine which updaters terminated prematurely, examine the EMS event log for error number 726. Then, reissue the TAKEOVER command.

A required attribute for network master is missing

Cause You must specify the PrimarySystem, BackupSystem, RemoteControlSubvolume, and PnetTxVolume attributes for each Network record in the configuration of your network master, but you are missing one or more of these network attributes.

Effect The configuration command fails.

Recovery Set the missing fields and add the record.

A required attribute for a non network master is missing

Cause You must specify the PrimarySystem, BackupSystem, and RemoteControlSubvolume for the network master of your RDF network.

Effect The configuration command fails.

Recovery Set the missing fields and add the record.

A TAKEOVER operation has not completed on the local system

Cause You tried to execute the COPYAUDIT command, but the RDF TAKEOVER operation has not completed on the local system.

Effect The COPYAUDIT command is aborted.

Recovery You must execute the RDF TAKEOVER operation on both backup systems before you can use the COPYAUDIT command of the triple contingency protocol.

An RDF TAKEOVER has completed

Cause The operator issued a TAKEOVER command at the backup node and the TAKEOVER operation has completed.

Effect The backup database becomes the database of record.

Recovery This is an informational message; no recovery is required.

At least one non network master NETWORK record required

Cause No non network master NETWORK record was found when validating this network master subsystem.

Effect RDF does not start.

Recovery Add one or more network records to the configuration describing the non network master subsystem(s).

Audit is missing. Contact your HP analyst.

Cause The COPYAUDIT command could not find audit that should exist in the local image trail.

Effect The COPYAUDIT command aborts.

Recovery There might be no recovery for this problem. To verify that required audit is missing from your local image trail, contact your local HP analyst.

Aux audit support is only available with the RDF/IMPX product

Cause You tried to have RDF/IMP protect a data volume associated with an auxiliary audit trail.

Effect The SET or ADD command fails.

Recovery RDF/IMPX must be installed do this.

Aux audit trail not found with index num

Cause You tried to add an RDF object with an ATINDEX that does not correspond to the audit trail number of a configured auxiliary audit trail.

Effect The ADD command fails.

Recovery Review and revise your RDF and TMF configurations.

Aux RECEIVER Record does not exist for atindex num

Cause You tried to add an updater with the specified ATINDEX, but there is no receiver with that value.

Effect The ADD command fails.

Recovery Reenter the ADD command specifying a correct ATINDEX.

Backup node in network master record is incorrect *primary system*

Cause The network master network record does not have the specified backup system name for the local RDF subsystem.

Effect Validation fails.

Recovery You must reconfigure your network master.

BACKUPSYSTEM is Not Defined

Cause The RDF configuration file is invalid.

Effect The RDF configuration record was not added.

Recovery Enter a SET RDF command, using the BACKUPSYSTEM parameter to identify the backup system. Then, enter an ADD RDF command to add this system to the configuration.

BACKUPSYSTEM \node is Unavailable

node

is the name of the backup node that was unavailable.

Cause Either the START RDF command failed because the backup node was unavailable, or the RDF configuration file is invalid.

Effect The command or requested operation fails.

Recovery Examine the RDF configuration file, and correct it if necessary. Otherwise, reenter the START RDF command when the backup node becomes available.

Broadcast ALTER Failed: *error#* on *component*

error#

is the file-system error number that identifies the specific error.

component

is the name of the RDF component for which the ALTER command failed.

Cause An ALTER command failed for the specified components.

Effect The command fails.

Recovery See the *Operator Messages Manual* for a description of the error code. For additional details about understanding and correcting file-system errors, see the *Guardian Procedure Errors and Messages Manual*. If possible, correct the error and reenter the command that encountered the error. Otherwise, see your system manager.

Cannot delete NETWORK PNETTXVOLUME *volume*

volume

is the name of an RDF data volume.

Cause You have attempted to delete an updater that protects the specified PNETTXVOLUME. This is not allowed because it would break your RDF network.

Effect Delete fails.

Recovery If you really must delete the updater, you will then need to reconfigure your network master and possibly your local configuration.

Configuration Validation Aborted

Cause The RDF configuration file is invalid.

Effect The VALIDATE CONFIGURATION or START RDF command that checked the configuration file fails.

Recovery Check and correct the configuration file. Then reenter the VALIDATE CONFIGURATION or START RDF command.

Couldn't create or clear the BACKUPSYSTEM CONTEXT (*error#*)

error#

is the file-system error number that identifies the specific error.

Cause The context file data could not be created or cleared while START RDF processing was being performed after the INITIALIZE RDF command.

Effect START RDF processing is aborted.

Recovery See the *Operator Messages Manual* for a description of the error code. For additional details about understanding and correcting file-system errors, see the *Guardian Procedure Errors and Messages Manual*. If possible, correct the error and reenter the command that encountered the error. Otherwise, see your system manager.

Couldn't create or clear the PRIMARYSYSTEM CONFIG (error#)

error#

is the file-system error number that identifies the specific error.

Cause The configuration file data cannot be created or cleared while START RDF processing is performed after INITIALIZE RDF.

Effect START RDF processing is aborted.

Recovery See the *Operator Messages Manual* for a description of the error code. For additional details about understanding and correcting file-system errors, see the *Guardian Procedure Errors and Messages Manual*. If possible, correct the error and reenter the command that encountered the error. Otherwise, see your system manager.

Couldn't create or clear the PRIMARYSYSTEM CONTEXT (error#)

error#

is the file-system error number that identifies the specific error.

Cause The context file data cannot be created or cleared while START RDF processing is performed after INITIALIZE RDF.

Effect START RDF processing is aborted.

Recovery See the *Operator Messages Manual* for a description of the error code. For additional details about understanding and correcting file-system errors, see the *Guardian Procedure Errors and Messages Manual*. If possible, correct the error and reenter the command that encountered the error. Otherwise, see your system manager.

Couldn't OPEN the started process: error#

error#

is the error number that identifies the specific error.

Cause An open error occurred during START RDF or STOP RDF command processing.

Effect The START RDF or STOP RDF operation is aborted.

Recovery See the *Operator Messages Manual* for a description of the error code. For additional details about understanding and correcting process errors, see the *Guardian Procedure Errors and Messages Manual*. If possible, correct the error and reenter the command that encountered the error. Otherwise, see your system manager.

Couldn't WRITE startup to the started process error#

error#

is the error number that identifies the specific error.

Cause A write error occurred during START RDF or STOP RDF command processing.

Effect The operation is aborted.

Recovery See the *Operator Messages Manual* for a description of the error code. For additional details about understanding and correcting process errors, see the *Guardian Procedure Errors and Messages Manual*. If possible, correct the error and reenter the command that encountered the error. Otherwise, see your system manager.

cpu:cpu CPUS are NOT available

cpu:cpu

are the primary and backup CPUs, respectively.

Cause Both the configured primary and backup CPUs were unavailable when a START RDF command was issued.

Effect The command fails.

Recovery Wait until both CPUs become available, and reenter the START RDF command. If necessary, see your system manager.

cpu:cpu CPUS are not SYSGEN'd

cpu:cpu

are the primary and backup CPUs, respectively.

Cause A START RDF command failed because the specified CPUs do not exist (they were not configured during SYSGEN).

Effect The command fails.

Recovery Reconfigure RDF to use other CPUs or, if you must use the specified CPUs, see your system manager.

Creation error *error#* on IMAGETRAIL *volume-name*

error#

is the file-system error number that identifies the specific error.

volume-name

is the image trail volume on which the error occurred.

Cause During execution of a START RDF command or a VALIDATE CONFIGURATION command, RDFCOM determined that sufficient disk storage for image files did not exist in each secondary image trail for at least one additional image file. As one of its validation checks during processing of these commands, RDFCOM tries to create a temporary image file on the IMAGETRAIL volume. This allocation failed for the reason indicated by the file-system number *error#*.

Effect The command fails.

Recovery See the *Operator Messages Manual* for a description of the error code. For additional details about understanding and correcting file-system errors, see the *Guardian Procedure Errors and Messages Manual*. Correct the error indicated by *error#*. This might necessitate altering the IMAGETRAIL configuration parameter to specify a new volume for the secondary image trail. Then, reenter the START RDF or VALIDATE command.

Ctrl-subvol network record not found

Ctrl-subvol

is the name of an RDF subsystem control subvolume.

Cause The RDF subsystem with the specified control subvolume does not contain a network record.

Effect Validation fails.

Recovery You must add the appropriate NETWORK configuration record.

Database synchronization is only available with the NonStop(TM)
RDF/IMP(X) product

Cause You tried to add a volume to the RDF configuration and use the online database synchronization feature, but RDF/IMP or IMPX is not installed.

Effect The ADD command fails.

Recovery If you want to perform online database synchronization, RDF/IMP or IMPX must be installed on both the primary and backup systems.

Data from auxiliary audit trails is not allowed with lockstep

Cause You tried to add an auxiliary extractor or receiver to an RDF environment that had previously been configured for lockstep operations.

Effect The ADD EXTRACTOR or ADD RECEIVER command fails.

Recovery You cannot have both lockstep operation and protection for data configured to an auxiliary audit trail in the same RDF subsystem. If you want lockstep protection, then your data must be placed on TMF data volumes configured to the Master Audit Trail. If your data must remain on TMF data volumes configured to auxiliary audit trails, then you must reconfigure your RDF subsystem without lockstep protection.

You must rethink what data you want protected and whether or not it needs lockstep protection. You might have to configure two separate RDF subsystems, protecting lockstep data with one subsystem, and protecting the data associated with auxiliary audit trails with the other RDF subsystem. You cannot have lockstep protection for data configured to auxiliary audit trails.

Do you still wish to start at this point? [Y/N]

Cause In response to your INITIALIZE RDF command and your confirmation to proceed with that command's execution, RDFCOM has found the record with the specified TMF shutdown timestamp in the MAT and RDF is ready to be initialized at that shutdown point. This message requests your confirmation to proceed further.

Effect If you respond YES or Y, RDF will be initialized at the shutdown point you specified; when RDF starts, the extractor will begin reading audit at that point in the audit trail. If you respond NO or N, however, the subsystem will not be initialized.

Recovery This is an informational message; no recovery is required.

Do you wish to proceed? [Y/N]

Cause You entered an INITIALIZE RDF command that attempted to initialize RDF at a specific TMF shutdown timestamp, and received this message as a prompt for confirmation.

Effect If you respond YES or Y, RDFCOM searches the MAT file for a TMF shutdown timestamp equal to the one specified. If you respond NO or N, RDF is not initialized.

Recovery This is an informational message; no recovery is required.

Encountered error *error#* when checking *filename*

error#

is the file-system error number that identifies the specific error.

filename

is the name of an RDF configuration file on the control subvolume.

Cause While RDF was attempting to check if an RDF control file existed in \$SYSTEM.*control-subvolume* on the backup system, file-system error *error#* was returned.

Effect The INITIALIZE RDF command aborts.

Recovery See the *Operator Messages Manual* for a description of the error code. For additional details about understanding and correcting file-system errors, see the *Guardian Procedure Errors and Messages Manual*. Analyze and correct the problem, and then retry the INITIALIZE RDF command.

Error *error#* obtained in attempting to unpin audit

error#

is the file-system error number that identifies the specific error.

Cause The TMP returned the specified file-system error number when attempting to unpin a TMF audit trail file.

Effect The UNPINAUDIT command is ignored.

Recovery See the *Operator Messages Manual* for a description of the error code. For additional details about understanding and correcting file-system errors, see the *Guardian Procedure Errors*

and Messages Manual. Take appropriate corrective action, and then reissue the UNPINAUDIT command.

Error *error#* obtaining FILECODE and CRVSN of the MAPFILE *filename*

error#

is the file-system error number that identifies the specific error.

filename

is the name of the updater mapfile specified in the updater configuration.

Cause RDFCOM could not obtain the file code and CRVSN of the updater mapfile when an ADD VOLUME, START RDF, START UPDATE, or VALIDATE CONFIGURATION command was being executed.

Effect The command fails.

Recovery See the *Guardian Procedure Errors and Messages Manual* for a description and recovery actions for the file-system error. Correct the error indicated by *error#*, and then reenter the command.

Error *error#* obtaining FILECODE and EOF of the MAPLOG *filename*

error#

is the file-system error number that identifies the specific number.

filename

is the name of the updater maplog specified in the updater configuration.

Cause RDFCOM could not obtain the file code and CRVSN of the updater maplog when an ADD VOLUME, ALTER VOLUME, START RDF, or START UPDATE command was being executed.

Effect The command fails.

Recovery See the *Guardian Procedure Errors and Messages Manual* for a description of and recovery actions for the file-system error. Correct the error indicated by *error#*, then reenter the command.

Error *error#* obtaining pool information for SMF volume

error#

is the file-system error number that identifies the specific error.

volume

is the SMF volume.

Cause RDFCOM experienced an error while attempting to obtain the physical disk information for the specified SMF disk volume. The error number indicates the cause.

Effect The RDFCOM command being executed fails.

Recovery Correct the underlying problem with the SMF pool and reissue the RDFCOM command.

Error *error#* on allocation of extents for imagefile

error#

is the file-system error number that identifies the specific error.

Cause The COPYAUDIT command encountered the specified error while attempting to allocate extents for a new image file on the local image trail.

Effect The COPYAUDIT command aborts.

Recovery See the *Operator Messages Manual* for a description of the error code. For additional details about understanding and correcting file-system errors, see the *Guardian Procedure Errors and Messages Manual*. Take appropriate corrective action, and then reissue the COPYAUDIT command.

Error *error#* on create of image file *filename*

error#

is the file-system error number that identifies the specific error.

filename

is the name of the image trail file associated with the error.

Cause The COPYAUDIT command encountered the specified error while attempting to create the specified image file on the local image trail volume.

Effect The COPYAUDIT command aborts.

Recovery See the *Operator Messages Manual* for a description of the error code. For additional details about understanding and correcting file-system errors, see the *Guardian Procedure Errors and Messages Manual*. If possible, correct the error and reenter the COPYAUDIT command. Otherwise, see your system manager.

Error *error#* on *filename* while cleaning the control subvolume on the local system.

error#

is the file-system error number that identifies the specific error.

filename

is the name of the local control subvolume file associated with the error.

Cause The INITIALIZE RDF command encountered the specified error while attempting to purge the local control subvolume files.

Effect The INITIALIZE RDF command aborts.

Recovery See the *Operator Messages Manual* for a description of the error code. For additional details about understanding and correcting file-system errors, see the *Guardian Procedure Errors and Messages Manual*. Correct the error and reenter the INITIALIZE RDF command. If the problem persists, contact your system manager.

Error *error#* on *filename* while cleaning the control subvolume on the remote system.

error#

is the file-system error number that identifies the specific error.

filename

is the name of the remote control subvolume file associated with the error.

Cause The INITIALIZE RDF command encountered the specified error while attempting to purge the remote control subvolume files.

Effect The INITIALIZE RDF command aborts.

Recovery See the *Operator Messages Manual* for a description of the error code. For additional details about understanding and correcting file-system errors, see the *Guardian Procedure Errors and Messages Manual*. Correct the error and reenter the INITIALIZE RDF command. If the problem persists, contact your system manager.

Error *error#* on PURGEDATA for the MAPLOG file *filename*

error#

is the file-system error number that identifies the specific error.

filename

is the name of the updater maplog specified in the updater configuration.

Cause Purgedata operation returned an error when RDFCOM tried to clean the updater maplog file when an ADD VOLUME, ALTER VOLUME, or START RDF command was being executed.

Effect The command fails.

Recovery See the *Guardian Procedure Errors and Messages Manual* for a description of the recovery actions for the file-system error. Correct the error indicated by *error#*, then reenter the command.

Error *error#* on process info attempt

error#

is the file-system error number that identifies the specific error.

Cause The COPYAUDIT command encountered the specified error while attempting to process information about the current RDFCOM session.

Effect The COPYAUDIT command aborts.

Recovery See the *Operator Messages Manual* for a description of the error code. For additional details about understanding and correcting file-system errors, see the *Guardian Procedure Errors and Messages Manual*. Take appropriate corrective action, and then reissue the COPYAUDIT command.

Error *error#* on setmode for imagefile ownership

error#

is the file-system error number that identifies the specific error.

Cause The COPYAUDIT command encountered the specified error while attempting to perform a SET MODE operation to set the ownership for a new image file on the local image trail.

Effect The COPYAUDIT command aborts.

Recovery See the *Operator Messages Manual* for a description of the error code. For additional details about understanding and correcting file-system errors, see the *Guardian Procedure Errors and Messages Manual*. Take appropriate corrective action, and then reissue the COPYAUDIT command.

Error *error#* on setmode for imagefile security

error#

is the file-system error number that identifies the specific error.

Cause The COPYAUDIT command encountered the specified error while attempting to set the security for a new image file on the local image trail where it is storing new audit.

Effect The COPYAUDIT command aborts.

Recovery See the *Operator Messages Manual* for a description of the error code. For additional details about understanding and correcting file-system errors, see the *Guardian Procedure Errors and Messages Manual*. Take appropriate corrective action, and then reissue the COPYAUDIT command.

Error *error#* on setmode for large transfers

error#

is the file-system error number that identifies the specific error.

Cause The COPYAUDIT command encountered the specified error while attempting to perform a SET MODE operation to enable large transfers of data.

Effect The COPYAUDIT command aborts.

Recovery See the *Operator Messages Manual* for a description of the error code. For additional details about understanding and correcting file-system errors, see the *Guardian Procedure Errors and Messages Manual*. Take appropriate corrective action, and then reissue the COPYAUDIT command.

Error in the MAPFILE *filename*

filename

is the name of the updater mapfile specified in the updater configuration.

Cause During execution of a VALIDATE CONFIGURATION command, RDFCOM determined that the updater mapfile is invalid.

Effect The command fails.

Recovery Correct the mapfile and reenter the command.

Expected MAP in the mapping string *mapping-string* in the MAPFILE *filename*
mapping-string

is the erroneous mapping string specified in the mapfile.

filename

is the name of the updater mapfile specified in the updater configuration.

Cause RDFCOM found that the mapping string specified in the updater mapfile did not contain the keyword MAP when an ADD VOLUME, ALTER VOLUME, START RDF, START UPDATE, or VALIDATE CONFIGURATION command was being executed.

Effect The command fails.

Recovery Add the keyword MAP in the mapping string, then reenter the command.

Expected NAMES in the mapping string *mapping-string* in the MAPFILE *filename*
mapping-string

is the erroneous mapping string specified in the mapfile.

filename

is the name of the updater mapfile specified in the updater configuration.

Cause RDFCOM found that the mapping string specified in the updater mapfile did not contain the keyword NAMES when an ADD VOLUME, ALTER VOLUME, START RDF, START UPDATE, or VALIDATE CONFIGURATION command was being executed.

Effect The command fails.

Recovery Add the keyword NAMES in the mapping string, then reenter the command.

Expected TO in the mapping string *mapping-string* in the MAPFILE *filename*
mapping-string

is the erroneous mapping string specified in the mapfile.

filename

is the name of the updater mapfile specified in the updater configuration.

Cause RDFCOM found that the mapping string specified in the updater mapfile did not contain the keyword TO when an ADD VOLUME, ALTER VOLUME, START RDF, START UPDATE, or VALIDATE CONFIGURATION command was being executed.

Effect The command fails.

Recovery Add the keyword TO in the mapping string, then reenter the command.

Expecting: a Control Subvolume name

Cause The control subvolume was incorrectly specified in an OPEN command.

Effect The command fails.

Recovery Check the control subvolume name and make sure that you are spelling it correctly. Then reenter the command, including the proper control subvolume name or specifying a different control subvolume.

Expecting: RDF, MONITOR, EXTRACTOR, RECEIVER, VOLUME

Cause RDF did not understand the command.

Effect The command fails.

Recovery Check the syntax rules for the command you entered. Perhaps you misspelled a keyword parameter or misplaced a delimiter.

Expecting 'Yes' or 'No' response.

Cause You have entered an unexpected response to an RDFCOM prompt that requires only either YES (or Y) or NO (or N) as verification to proceed with your request.

Effect The requested operation does not take place.

Recovery Reenter your request, this time specifying either YES, Y, NO, or N to the prompt.

Expecting 'Yes' or 'No' response. Search stopped

Cause While attempting to initialize RDF to a TMF shutdown timestamp, you have entered an unexpected response to the RDFCOM prompt that asks if you want RDFCOM to trigger the restoration of an audit trail file that has been dumped.

Effect The search for the shutdown timestamp ceases, and the RDF initialization fails.

Recovery Reenter the INITIALIZE RDF command, to begin the sequence of prompts again. This time, respond properly (either YES, Y, NO, or N) to the prompt about restoring the audit trail file.

Extended Data Segment Error: *error*

error

is the NEWPROCESS error number that identifies the specific error.

Cause A NEWPROCESS error occurred during START RDF or TAKEOVER processing.

Effect The START RDF or TAKEOVER operation is aborted.

Recovery See the *Operator Messages Manual* for a description of the error code. For additional details about understanding and correcting process errors, see the *Guardian Procedure Errors and Messages Manual*. If possible, correct the error and reenter the command that encountered the error. Otherwise, see your system manager.

Extended Swap File Segment Error: *error#*

error#

is the NEWPROCESS error number that identifies the specific error.

Cause A NEWPROCESS error occurred during START RDF or TAKEOVER processing.

Effect The START RDF or TAKEOVER operation is aborted.

Recovery See the *Operator Messages Manual* for a description of the error code. For additional details about understanding and correcting process errors, see the *Guardian Procedure Errors and Messages Manual*. If possible, correct the error and reenter the command that encountered the error. Otherwise, see your system manager.

EXTRACTOR record exists, use ALTER EXTRACTOR

Cause An ADD EXTRACTOR command was issued when the configuration file already contained an extractor record.

Effect The command fails.

Recovery No recovery is required if you want to use the existing extractor process as configured. If you want to change any of the extractor's configuration options, however, enter an ALTER EXTRACTOR command that specifies those changes.

EXTRACTOR record NOT found

Cause The INFO command could not find an extractor record in the configuration file.

Effect The command fails.

Recovery Alter the configuration to include an extractor process.

FASTUPDATEMODE is not turned ON for Master Receiver.

Cause You have turned FASTUPDATEMODE ON for an Auxillary Receiver when the FASTUPDATEMODE is OFF for the Master Receiver.

Effect The command fails.

Recovery Set FASTUPDATEMODE ON for the Master Receiver before setting FASTUPDATEMODE ON for any Auxiliary Receiver.

FASTUPDATEMODE should be turned OFF for all the Auxilliary Receivers before it is turned OFF for the Master Receiver.

Cause You have tried to turn FASTUPDATEMODE OFF for the Master Receiver when FASTUPDATEMODE is ON for one or more Auxilliary Receivers.

Effect FASTUPDATEMODE will not be turned OFF for the Master Receiver.

Recovery Check the FASTUPDATEMODE of all the auxilliary receivers and set it to OFF for all those which have FASTUPDATEMODE ON before reissuing the command.

Fixing up context to enable another RDFCOM Takeover command

Cause The COPYAUDIT command has finished copying the missing audit from the remote system to the local system, and is now about to update context records to permit execution of another TAKEOVER command.

Effect RDF begins to update the context records.

Recovery This is an informational message; no recovery is required.

Fixing up the ZFILEINC file to enable another RDFCOM Takeover command

Cause The COPYAUDIT command has finished copying the missing audit from the remote system to the local system, and is now about to copy the ZFILEINC file from the remote system to the local system.

Effect RDF begins to copy the ZFILEINC file.

Recovery This is an informational message; no recovery is required.

Global record not found for subsystem *ctrl-subvol*

ctrl-subvol

is the name of an RDF subsystem control subvolume.

Cause The global record of the RDF subsystem with the specified control subvolume could not be found.

Effect Validation fails.

Recovery Before you can validate your local RDF subsystem, you must configure all RDF subsystems in your network.

If INITIALIZE command is specified in an IN file the pound (#) character should be used with bang (!) option.

Cause INITIALIZE RDF command was issued using an IN file to RDFCOM with "#" operator but without the "!" option.

Effect The command fails.

Recovery When issuing the INITIALIZE RDF using an IN file to RDFCOM with "#" operator, specify "!" operator also.

Illegal File Format: *error#*

error#

is the NEWPROCESS error number that identifies the specific error.

Cause A NEWPROCESS error occurred during START RDF or TAKEOVER processing.

Effect The START RDF or TAKEOVER operation is aborted.

Recovery See the *Operator Messages Manual* for a description of the error code. For additional details about understanding and correcting process errors, see the *Guardian Procedure Errors and Messages Manual*. If possible, correct the error and reenter the command that encountered the error. Otherwise, see your system manager.

Illegal Home Terminal: *error#*

`error#`

is the NEWPROCESS error number that identifies the specific error.

Cause A NEWPROCESS error occurred during START RDF or TAKEOVER processing.

Effect The START RDF or TAKEOVER operation is aborted.

Recovery See the *Operator Messages Manual* for a description of the error code. For additional details about understanding and correcting process errors, see the *Guardian Procedure Errors and Messages Manual*. Correct the error and reenter the START RDF or TAKEOVER command.

Image files needed for Triple Contingency must have been purged because the receiver's retaincount must have been set too low.

Cause Audit required for the COPYAUDIT command on the remote system has been purged, probably because the receiver's RETAINCOUNT value was set too low.

Effect The COPYAUDIT command aborts.

Recovery There might be no recovery for this problem. You must perform the database synchronization without the help of RDFCOM.

IMAGETRAIL for IMAGEVOLUME `vol-name` does not exist

`vol-name`

is the image trail volume for which the image trail does not exist.

Cause You tried to add an updater, but have not yet added an image trail for the updater's volume.

Effect The ADD command fails.

Recovery Add the image trail. Then add the updater.

IMAGETRAIL for IMAGEVOLUME `vol-name` does not exist or the atindex of the IMAGEVOLUME does not match the updater's atindex

`vol-name`

is the image trail volume

Cause You tried to add an updater for a particular ATINDEX, but there is no imagetrail configuration for that value. Either you have not yet added the imagetrail or you added it with a different ATINDEX.

Effect The ADD command fails.

Recovery Review and revise your RDF configuration.

IMAGETRAIL is already in use by Receiver

Cause You tried to add a secondary image trail, but the volume you specified for that trail is already being used for receiver's RDFVOLUME.

Effect The command fails.

Recovery Select a different volume for the secondary image trail.

Imagetrails cannot be added if RDF has been started after initialization

Cause You tried to add a secondary image trail after RDF has been started. However, you can only add secondary image trails after RDF has been initialized and before it has been started for the first time following this initialization.

Effect The command fails.

Recovery If you must add an image trail, you must stop TMF, allow RDF to catch up to the shutdown, and then reinitialize and reconfigure RDF.

IMAGETRAIL `volume-name` has already been added

`volume-name`

is the name of the volume you specified for the image trail.

Cause You tried to add a secondary image trail on the volume *volume-name*, but an image trail has already been added for this volume.

Effect The command fails.

Recovery Select a different volume for the secondary image trail.

IMAGETRAIL *volume-name* is not used by any updater

volume-name

is the name of the image trail.

Cause While validating your configuration, RDFCOM determined that the image trail on the volume *volume-name* is not referenced by any updater processes.

Effect The validation operation aborts.

Recovery Delete this image trail

IMAGETRAIL *volume-name* record not found; DELETE aborted

volume-name

is the name of the secondary image trail that was specified in the command.

Cause You tried to delete a secondary image trail that does not exist.

Effect The command fails.

Recovery Select a different secondary image trail to delete, or select another command.

IMAGETRAIL VOLUME *volume-name* does NOT exist

volume-name

is the name of the volume.

Cause While validating your configuration, RDFCOM determined that the volume for this image trail does not exist on the backup node.

Effect The validation operation aborts.

Recovery Delete this image trail volume and all updaters that use it.

IMAGETRAIL VOLUME *volume-name* is not a disk volume

volume-name

is the name of the volume.

Cause While validating your configuration, RDFCOM determined that *volume-name* does not refer to a disk device on the backup node.

Effect The validation operation aborts.

Recovery Delete this image trail volume and all updaters that refer to it.

IMAGEVOLUME *volume-name* is not a legal volume name

volume-name

is the name of the volume.

Cause The SET VOLUME IMAGEVOLUME command specified an invalid volume name.

Effect The command fails.

Recovery Reenter the command, using a correct volume name.

Inconsistent network options are not allowed

Cause You have attempted to add the RDF configuration record with the RDF NetworkMaster attribute on but the Network attribute off.

Effect The configuration command fails.

Recovery You must determine whether you are in an RDF network or not.

Initialization point for *timestamp* has been found

timestamp

is an INITTIME timestamp specified previously by an operator in an RDFCOM INITIALIZE RDF command.

Cause You are attempting to initialize RDF to a timestamp that is earlier than the current time, and database synchronization is not involved. A record whose timestamp is less than *timestamp* has been found.

Effect The RDFCOM INITIALIZE RDF command continues.

Recovery This is an informational message; no recovery is required.

Initialization timestamp is *timestamp*

timestamp

is an INITTIME timestamp specified previously by an operator in an RDFCOM INITIALIZE RDF command.

Cause You are attempting to initialize RDF to a timestamp that is earlier than the current time, and database synchronization is not involved. A record whose timestamp is less than *timestamp* has been found, and *timestamp* has been stored in the RDF configuration record.

Effect The RDFCOM INITIALIZE RDF command continues.

Recovery This is an informational message; no recovery is required.

Initialization with database synchronization is only available with the NonStop(TM) RDF/IMP(X) product.

Cause You tried to initialize RDF with the SYNCHDBTIME option, but RDF/IMP or IMPX is not installed.

Effect The INITIALIZE RDF command fails.

Recovery If you want to perform online database synchronization, RDF/IMP or IMPX must be installed on both the primary and backup systems.

INITIALIZE RDF aborted

Cause This message follows a previous error message that indicates why the INITIALIZE RDF command failed.

Effect RDF is not initialized.

Recovery Examine the error message immediately preceding this one, correct the condition reported, and reenter the INITIALIZE RDF command.

Internal consistency error on Network records

Cause RDFCOM has detected an internal error that indicates inconsistency.

Effect The configuration command fails.

Recovery Contact the Global Mission Critical Solution Center (GMCSC) or your service provider.

Internal error encountered in imagetrail search

Cause The context of the remote image trail does not correspond to the information stored in the local context.

Effect The COPYAUDIT command aborts.

Recovery There is no recovery for this problem. Contact your local HP representative.

Invalid TMF shutdown *timestamp*

Cause You entered an INITIALIZE RDF timestamp command, but specified the timestamp (or one or more of its components) incorrectly.

Effect RDF is not initialized.

Recovery Examine the specified timestamp. If the format is correct, then the error arises from an incorrect value for the date or time, such as 30 for hour or 32 for day. Correct the specified timestamp and reenter the INITIALIZE RDF command.

The correct format for the timestamp is *day month year hour:min*, where:

day

is a number from 1 to 31.

month

is the first three letters of the month, such as JAN, FEB, MAR.

year

is a two-digit or four-digit number, such as 91 or 1991. Any year greater than 1999 must be specified in four digits.

hour

is a number from 0 to 23.

min

is a number from 00 to 59. *min* must be preceded by a colon (:).

Library Conflict

Cause A NEWPROCESS error occurred during START RDF or TAKEOVER processing.

Effect The START RDF or TAKEOVER operation is aborted.

Recovery If possible, correct the error and reenter the command that encountered the error. Otherwise, see your system manager.

Library File Error: *error#*

error#

is the NEWPROCESS error number that identifies the specific error.

Cause A NEWPROCESS error occurred during START RDF or TAKEOVER processing.

Effect The START RDF or TAKEOVER operation is aborted.

Recovery See the *Operator Messages Manual* for a description of the error code. For additional details about understanding and correcting process errors, see the *Guardian Procedure Errors and Messages Manual*. Correct the error and reenter the START RDF or TAKEOVER command.

Local image file *filename* is missing

filename

is the name of the image trail file.

Cause The COPYAUDIT command could not find the specific image file on the local image trail, although this file should exist on disk.

Effect The COPYAUDIT command aborts.

Recovery There is no recovery for this problem. You must perform the database synchronization without the help of RDFCOM.

Mapping string *mapping-string* is invalid in the MAPFILE *filename*

Expected * in the filename portion in *subvolume-name*

mapping-string

is the erroneous mapping string specified in the mapfile.

filename

is the name of the updater mapfile specified in the updater configuration.

subvolume-name

is the erroneous subvolume specified in the mapping string.

Cause RDFCOM expected * in the filename portion of the subvolume indicated by *subvolume-name* when an ADD VOLUME, ALTER VOLUME, START RDF, START UPDATE, or VALIDATE CONFIGURATION command was being executed.

Effect The command fails.

Recovery Correct the mapping string, then reenter the command.

Mapping string *mapping-string* is invalid in the MAPFILE *filename*, error *error#*

mapping-string

is the erroneous mapping string specified in the mapfile.

filename

is the name of the updater mapfile specified in the updater configuration.

error#

is the file-system error number that identifies the specific error.

Cause RDFCOM found that the mapping string specified in the updater mapfile is invalid when an ADD VOLUME, ALTER VOLUME, START RDF, START UPDATE, or VALIDATE CONFIGURATION command was being executed.

Effect The command fails.

Recovery See the *Guardian Procedure Errors and Messages Manual* for a description and recovery actions for the file-system error. Correct the error indicated by *error#*, then, reenter the command.

Mapping string *mapping-string* is invalid in the MAPFILE *filename*

The subvolume *subvolume-name* is invalid.

mapping-string

is the erroneous mapping string specified in the MAPFILE.

filename

is the name of the updater MAPFILE specified in the updater configuration.

subvolume-name

is the erroneous subvolume specified in the mapping string.

Cause RDFCOM detected that the subvolume indicated by *subvolume-name* is invalid when an ADD VOLUME, ALTER VOLUME, START RDF, START UPDATE, or VALIDATE CONFIGURATION command was being executed.

Effect The command fails.

Recovery Correct the mapping string, then reenter the command.

Mapping string *mapping-string* is invalid at position *index* in the MAPFILE *filename*

mapping-string

is the erroneous mapping string specified in the MAPFILE.

index

is the erroneous position in the mapping string.

filename

is the name of the updater MAPFILE specified in the updater configuration.

Cause RDFCOM detected that the mapping string is invalid at the position indicated by *index* when an ADD VOLUME, ALTER VOLUME, START RDF, START UPDATE, or VALIDATE CONFIGURATION command was being executed.

Effect The command fails.

Recovery Correct the mapping string, then reenter the command.

Master EXTRACTOR Record already exists

Cause You have already added an extractor with an ATINDEX value of 0.

Effect The ADD EXTRACTOR command fails.

Recovery Review and revise your RDF configuration.

Master RECEIVER Record already exists

Cause You have already added a receiver with an ATINDEX value of 0.

Effect The ADD EXTRACTOR command fails.

Recovery Review and revise your RDF configuration.

Maximum number of image trails already added

Cause You have already added the maximum number of secondary image trails (255), and cannot add more.

Effect The command fails.

Recovery No recovery action is possible; your RDF subsystem can only support 256 secondary image trails.

Missing network master NETWORK record

Cause No network record exists that corresponds to the network master subsystem.

Effect RDF does not start.

Recovery Add a network record to describe the network master subsystem.

MONITOR Record exists, use ALTER MONITOR

Cause An ADD MONITOR command was issued when the configuration file already contained a monitor record.

Effect The command fails.

Recovery No recovery is required if you want to use the existing monitor process as configured. If you want to change any of the monitor's configuration options, however, enter an ALTER MONITOR command that specifies those changes.

MONITOR record NOT found

Cause The INFO command could not find a monitor record in the configuration file.

Effect The command fails.

Recovery Alter the configuration to include the monitor process.

Network options are only available with the RDF/IMPX product

Cause You have attempted to specify configuration information for an RDF network, but you do not have an RDF/IMPX license.

Effect The configuration command fails.

Recovery If you need to run in an RDF network, you need to obtain the RDF/IMPX license and product.

NETWORK record can only be added into a networked subsystem

Cause An ADD NETWORK command was entered but the RDF NETWORK parameter is set OFF.

Effect The ADD NETWORK command is rejected.

Recovery Reconfigure RDF to have the RDF NETWORK parameter set ON.

Network record not found

Cause The current RDF subsystem is configured in an RDF network, but a network record has not been added.

Effect Validation fails.

Recovery You must add the appropriate NETWORK configuration record.

Network synch file ZRDFNETX file must be INCLUDED

Cause An INCLUDE pattern has been specified that will cause audit records associated with the NetSynch data file to be filtered out.

Effect RDF can not be started.

Recovery Correct the VOLUME INCLUDE associated with the PNETTXVOLUME so that the file `$volume.control-subvolume.ZRDFNETX` is included.

Network synch file ZRDFNETX must not be EXCLUDED

Cause An EXCLUDE pattern has been specified which will cause audit associated with the NetSynch data file to be filtered out.

Effect RDF can not be started.

Recovery Correct the VOLUME EXCLUDE associated with the PNETTXVOLUME so that the EXCLUDE pattern does not exclude the file `$volume.control-subvolume.ZRDFNETX`.

No EXTRACTOR is Configured

Cause The RDF configuration file is invalid.

Effect The validation fails.

Recovery Alter the configuration to include the extractor.

No EXTRACTOR is configured for ATINDEX atindex

Cause You added a receiver with the specified ATINDEX, but there is no extractor with that value.

Effect The validation fails.

Recovery Add an extractor with the same ATINDEX value or delete the particular receiver.

No RECEIVER is configured for ATINDEX atindex

Cause You added an extractor with the specified ATINDEX, but there is no receiver with that value.

Effect The validation fails.

Recovery Add a receiver with the same ATINDEX value or delete the particular extractor.

Not able to open the MAPFILE *filename*, error *error#*

filename

is the name of the updater mapfile specified in the updater configuration.

error#

is the file-system error number that identifies the specific error.

Cause RDFCOM was not able to open the updater mapfile when an ADD VOLUME, ALTER VOLUME, START RDF, START UPDATE, or VALIDATE CONFIGURATION command was being executed.

Effect The command fails.

Recovery See the *Guardian Procedure Errors and Messages Manual* for a description and recovery actions for the file-system error. Correct the error indicated by *error#*, then, reenter the command.

No image files could be found in the imagetrail on
volume-name.subvolume-name

volume-name

is the name of the image trail's volume

subvolume-name

is the name of the image trail's subvolume.

Cause The COPYAUDIT command could not find any image files on the remote image trail. This problem indicates that the receiver's RETAINCOUNT value was probably not set high enough and that, as a result, some image files on the remote system were purged.

Effect The COPYAUDIT command aborts.

Recovery There is no recovery action. The COPYAUDIT command cannot be executed because image files needed for this command were already purged from the remote system.

No MONITOR is Configured

Cause The RDF configuration file is invalid.

Effect The validation fails.

Recovery Alter the configuration to include the monitor.

No PCB available

Cause A NEWPROCESS error occurred during START RDF or TAKEOVER processing.

Effect The command fails.

Recovery Check system resource utilization. When resources become available, reenter the command.

No RECEIVER is Configured

Cause The RDF configuration file is invalid.

Effect The configuration validation fails.

Recovery Check the receiver parameter entries in the configuration file for invalid values and correct any errors found.

No VOLUMES are configured

Cause The RDF configuration file is invalid.

Effect The configuration validation fails.

Recovery Check the updater process parameters in the configuration file for invalid values and correct any errors found.

No VOLUMES are configured for ATINDEX atindex

Cause You added an extractor and receiver with the specified ATINDEX, but there are no updaters with that value.

Effect The validation fails.

Recovery Add at least one updater with the same ATINDEX value or delete the particular extractor-receiver pair.

Obtained error *error#* in attempting to examine remote imagetrail files *error#*

is the file-system error number that identifies the specific error.

Cause The COPYAUDIT command encountered the specified error in attempting to read the remote image trail files.

Effect The command fails.

Recovery See the *Operator Messages Manual* for a description of the error code. For additional details about understanding and correcting file-system errors, see the *Guardian Procedure Errors and Messages Manual*. If possible, correct the error and reenter the COPYAUDIT command. Otherwise, see your system manager.

Only one Network record is allowed for a non-network master

Cause Your current RDF configuration does not have the NetworkMaster attribute set and you have tried to add more than one network record.

Effect The configuration command fails.

Recovery If the network record you have previously added pertains to the RDF network master subsystem, then do not add any further network records. If the network record you have previously added does not pertain to the RDF network master subsystem, then you need to purge your current configuration, reinitialize, and reconfigure.

Only the SUPER group can execute this command

Cause You issued a command restricted to members of the super-user group, but your logon ID does not indicate that group.

Effect The command fails.

Recovery Select another command, or ask an authorized person in the super-user group to issue the command for you.

Open error *error#* on *filename*

error#

is the file-system error number that identifies the specific error.

filename

is the name of the TMF Master Audit Trail (MAT).

Cause An open error occurred on the TMF Master Audit Trail (MAT).

Effect The file is not opened.

Recovery See the *Guardian Procedure Errors and Messages Manual* for a description of the recovery actions for the file-system error. Correct the error indicated by *error#*, then reenter the command.

Open error *error#* on MAPLOG file *filename*

error#

is the file-system error number that identifies the specific error.

filename

is the name of the updater maplog specified in the updater configuration.

Cause RDFCOM was not able to open the updater maplog when an ADD VOLUME, ALTER VOLUME, START RDF, or START UPDATE command was being executed.

Effect The command fails.

Recovery See the *Guardian Procedure Errors and Messages Manual* for a description of the recovery actions for the file-system error. Correct the error indicated by *error#*, then reenter the command.

Operation can only be performed on the BACKUPSYSTEM *backup*

backup

is the name of the backup node that can perform the operation.

Cause The command can be issued only at the backup system.

Effect The command fails.

Recovery Enter another command.

Operation can only be performed on the PRIMARYSYSTEM *primary*

primary

is the name of the primary node that can perform the operation.

Cause The command can be issued only at the primary node.

Effect The command fails.

Recovery Enter another command.

Operation is NOT allowed when RDF is running

Cause The command is not allowed while RDF is running.

Effect The command fails.

Recovery Enter another command, or shut down RDF and reenter this command.

Operation must be performed on the PRIMARYSYSTEM \primary or BACKUPSYSTEM \backup

primary

is the name of the primary node that can perform the operation.

backup

is the name of the backup node that can perform the operation.

Cause The command was issued at a third system, which is not allowed.

Effect The command fails.

Recovery Enter another command, or reenter this command at the specific primary or backup node reflected by this message.

Please wait while RDF searches for the specified shutdown timestamp

Cause You entered an INITIALIZE RDF command that attempted to initialize RDF at a specific TMF shutdown timestamp, and responded YES or Y to the subsequent confirmation prompt, directing the subsystem to proceed with the initialization.

Effect RDFCOM reads backward through the MAT in search of a TMF shutdown record with the same timestamp you specified.

Recovery This is an informational message; no recovery is required. You can terminate the operation at any time by pressing the BREAK (or equivalent) key.

PNETTXVOLUME *volume* for *ctrl-subvol* must be protected by a MAT based-updater

volume

is the name of an RDF data volume.

ctrl-subvol

is the name of an RDF subsystem control subvolume.

Cause The specified volume for the RDF subsystem with the specified control subvolume is not configured to the Master Audit Trail (MAT).

Effect Validation fails.

Recovery The PNETTXVOLUME must be configured to the Master Audit Trail (MAT). You need to reconfigure your network master and the subsystem with the specified control subvolume.

PNETTXVOLUME *volume* is not configured to a MAT based updater

volume

is the name of an RDF data volume.

Cause The specified PNETTXVOLUME is not configured to a MAT based updater.

Effect Validation fails.

Recovery You must reconfigure your network master and possibly your local configuration.

Position error *error#* on file *remote-config-file*

error#

is the file-system error number that identifies the specific error.

remote-config-file

is the name of the remote configuration file.

Cause The COPYAUDIT command encountered the specified error while attempting to position into the remote configuration file.

Effect The COPYAUDIT command aborts.

Recovery See the *Operator Messages Manual* for a description of the error code. For additional details about understanding and correcting file-system errors, see the *Guardian Procedure Errors and Messages Manual*. If possible, correct the error and reenter the COPYAUDIT command. Otherwise, contact your service provider.

Position error *error#* on local image file

error#

is the file-system error number that identifies the specific error.

Cause The COPYAUDIT command encountered the specified error while attempting to position into a local image file on the local image trail.

Effect The COPYAUDIT command aborts.

Recovery See the *Operator Messages Manual* for a description of the error code. For additional details about understanding and correcting file-system errors, see the *Guardian Procedure Errors and Messages Manual*. If possible, correct the error and reenter the COPYAUDIT command. Otherwise, contact your service provider.

Position error *error#* on new image file *filename*

error#

is the file-system error number that identifies the specific error.

filename

is the name of the image trail file associated with the error.

Cause The COPYAUDIT command encountered the specified error while attempting to position into the specified image file on the local image trail volume.

Effect The COPYAUDIT command aborts.

Recovery See the *Operator Messages Manual* for a description of the error code. For additional details about understanding and correcting file-system errors, see the *Guardian Procedure Errors and Messages Manual*. If possible, correct the error and reenter the COPYAUDIT command. Otherwise, contact your service provider.

Position error *error#* on remote image file

error#

is the file-system error number that identifies the specific error.

Cause The COPYAUDIT command encountered the specified error while attempting to position into a remote image file on the remote image trail.

Effect The COPYAUDIT command aborts.

Recovery See the *Operator Messages Manual* for a description of the error code. For additional details about understanding and correcting file-system errors, see the *Guardian Procedure Errors and Messages Manual*. If possible, correct the error and reenter the COPYAUDIT command. Otherwise, contact your service provider.

Primary node in network master record is incorrect *primary-system*

primary-system

is an RDF system name.

Cause The network master network record does not have the specified primary system name.

Effect Validation fails.

Recovery You must reconfigure your network master.

PRIMARYSYSTEM (\node) and BACKUPSYSTEM (\node) are the same

node

is the name assigned to both the primary and backup nodes.

Cause The RDF configuration file is invalid: both primary and backup node names are identical.

Effect The validation fails.

Recovery Alter the RDF configuration to reflect different names for these two nodes.

Process Name Error: *error#*

error#

is the error number that identifies the specific error.

Cause A NEWPROCESS error occurred during START RDF or TAKEOVER processing.

Effect The START RDF or TAKEOVER operation is aborted.

Recovery See the *Operator Messages Manual* for a description of the error code. For additional details about understanding and correcting process errors, see the *Guardian Procedure Errors and Messages Manual*. If possible, correct the error and reenter the command that encountered the error. Otherwise, contact your service provider.

Program and Library File are the Same

Cause A NEWPROCESS error occurred during START RDF or TAKEOVER processing.

Effect The START RDF or TAKEOVER operation is aborted.

Recovery Change the library filename.

Program File Error: *error#* on *progfile*

error#

is the error number that identifies the specific error.

progfile

is the name of the program file on which the error was encountered.

Cause A NEWPROCESS error occurred during START RDF or TAKEOVER processing.

Effect The START RDF or TAKEOVER operation is aborted.

Recovery See the *Operator Messages Manual* for a description of the error code. For additional details about understanding and correcting process errors, see the *Guardian Procedure Errors and Messages Manual*. If possible, correct the error and reenter the command that encountered the error. Otherwise, see your system manager.

RDF already in TAKEOVER processing

Cause The operator issued a TAKEOVER command at the backup node while RDF was performing a TAKEOVER operation.

Effect The last TAKEOVER command is ignored.

Recovery This is an informational message; no recovery is required.

RDF configuration file is not open, use OPEN command

Cause The configuration file must be open before any RDFCOM commands other than OPEN or OBEY can be executed.

Effect The attempted operation is aborted.

Recovery Open the configuration file with the OPEN command.

RDF has not been initialized.

Cause You issued an INITIALIZE RDF command, but entered NO or N in response to the subsequent confirmation prompt for continuing the initialization process.

Effect RDF is not initialized.

Recovery This is an informational message; no recovery is required.

RDF LOGFILE *filename* NOT a legal filename on system \node

filename

is the name of the nonexistent EMS collector (RDF log file).

node

is the name of the system where the collector name is invalid.

Cause The RDF configuration file is invalid: a nonexistent EMS collector was specified.

Effect The ADD RDF command fails.

Recovery Specify a valid EMS collector name in a SET RDF command, and then reenter the ADD RDF command.

RDF network subsystem *ctrl-subvol* has not been validated

ctrl-subvol

is the name of an RDF subsystem control subvolume.

Cause You are attempting to validate the network master of your RDF network before you have validated all non network master subsystems.

Effect Validation fails.

Recovery Validate all your non network master subsystems and then validate your local subsystem.

RDF (*\primary -> \backup*) is NOT running

Cause A STATUS RDF or STOP RDF command was issued while RDF was stopped.

Effect The command fails.

Recovery Reissue the command after RDF is started.

RDF record exists, use ALTER RDF

Cause An ADD RDF command was issued when the configuration file already contained an RDF global record.

Effect The command fails.

Recovery No recovery is required if you want to use the subsystem with the existing RDF global parameters configured. If you want to change any of the global parameters, however, enter an ALTER RDF command that specifies those changes.

RDF record NOT found

Cause The INFO command could not find an RDF global record in the configuration file.

Effect The command fails.

Recovery Alter the configuration to include all RDF global parameters.

RDF Shutdown in progress, please wait...

Cause RDF is shutting down.

Effect The shutdown operation continues.

Recovery This is an informational message; no recovery is required.

RDF START Failure, Scan LOGFILE for reason

Cause A START RDF command failed. RDF writes a description of the problem in the LOGFILE.

Effect The START RDF command fails.

Recovery Check the EMS event log for the message covering this error. If possible, correct the cause of the error and reissue the START RDF command. Otherwise, contact your system manager.

RDF subsystem *ctrl-subvol* is not configured as a Network master

`ctrl-subvol`

is the name of an RDF subsystem control subvolume.

Cause The RDF subsystem that you specified as your network master has not been configured as a network master.

Effect Validation fails.

Recovery You need to reconfigure your local subsystem and specify the control subvolume of your network master. You might also need to reconfigure your network master.

RDF subsystem `ctrl-subvol` stopped. TMF audit trails remain pinned.

`ctrl-subvol`

is the name of an RDF subsystem control subvolume.

Cause The user issued a STOP RDF command for the RDF subsystem with the specified control subvolume.

Effect The RDF product has stopped, but the TMF product continues to pin audit trail files on behalf of the RDF product.

Recovery If you intend to restart the RDF product, no recovery action is necessary.

If you intend to delete the RDF configuration, then you must issue an RDFCOM UNPINAUDIT command. Failure to do this could cause TMF to run out of audit trail space.

RDFCOM internal error in handling prompt

Cause RDFCOM detected an internal error in handling your response to the RDFCOM prompt.

Effect The attempted command is aborted.

Recovery Contact the Global Mission Critical Solution Center (GMCSC) or your service provider.

RDFCOM is asking the TMP to restore the file. If the file was previously dumped to tape, watch for the TMP to tell you to mount the appropriate tape.

Cause In response to a prompt, you requested RDFCOM to trigger restoration of an audit trail file. If the file has been previously dumped to tape, you must now watch the EMS log for the TMP's prompt to mount the appropriate tape.

Effect The restore operation proceeds.

Recovery When the tape-mount prompt appears in the EMS log, mount the tape.

RDFNETS process only allowed for RDF network master configuration.

Cause You have attempted to add the NetSynch process to your configuration, but your configuration is not the network master.

Effect The configuration command fails.

Recovery Do not add this record.

RDFVOLUME in network master record is incorrect `rdf-vol`.

`rdf-vol`

is the RDFVOLUME specified in the network record of the network master.

Cause The RDFVOLUME of the current RDF configuration does not match the value specified in the network record of the network master.

Effect Validation fails.

Recovery You must reconfigure your network master and possibly your local configuration.

RDFVOLUME in network master record is invalid.

Cause The RDFVOLUME of the current RDF configuration is invalid in the network record of the network master.

Effect Validation fails.

Recovery You must reconfigure your network master and possibly your local configuration.

RDFVOLUME is not allowed for an aux receiver. Auxiliary receivers do not have an RDFVOLUME.

Cause You tried to add an auxiliary receiver for which you had specified an RDFVOLUME.

Effect The ADD command fails.

Recovery Issue a RESET RECEIVER command, and then reconfigure the particular receiver without specifying an RDFVOLUME.

Read error *error#* on file *remote-config-file*

error#

is the file-system error number that identifies the specific error.

remote-config-file

is the name of the remote configuration file.

Cause The COPYAUDIT command encountered the specified error while attempting to read the remote configuration file.

Effect The COPYAUDIT command aborts.

Recovery See the *Operator Messages Manual* for a description of the error code. For additional details about understanding and correcting file-system errors, see the *Guardian Procedure Errors and Messages Manual*. If possible, correct the underlying error and reenter the COPYAUDIT command. Otherwise, contact your service provider.

Read error *error#* on remote image file

error#

is the file-system error number that identifies the specific error.

Cause The COPYAUDIT command encountered the specified error while attempting to read data from a remote image file on the remote image trail.

Effect The COPYAUDIT command aborts.

Recovery See the *Operator Messages Manual* for a description of the error code. For additional details about understanding and correcting file-system errors, see the *Guardian Procedure Errors and Messages Manual*. If possible, correct the underlying error and reenter the COPYAUDIT command. Otherwise, see your service provider.

Read error *error#* on remote ZFILEINC file

error#

is the file-system error number that identifies the specific error.

Cause The COPYAUDIT command encountered the specified error while attempting to read data from the remote ZFILEINC file.

Effect The COPYAUDIT command aborts.

Recovery See the *Operator Messages Manual* for a description of the error code. For additional details about understanding and correcting file-system errors, see the *Guardian Procedure Errors and Messages Manual*. If possible, correct the underlying error and reenter the COPYAUDIT command. Otherwise, contact your service provider.

RECEIVER RDFVOL error *error#* on allocation

error#

is a file-system error number that indicates lack of storage space on disk.

Cause During execution of a START RDF command, RDFCOM determined that sufficient disk storage for image files did not exist.

As one of its validation checks during START RDF processing, RDFCOM tries to create a temporary image file on the receiver's RDFVOLUME and then to allocate all 16 extents. This check, if successful, verifies that:

- If RDF is starting for the first time, there is enough storage for at least one image file
- If RDF has been started previously, there is enough storage for one image file when the next image-file rollover occurs

If the check fails because there is insufficient storage, this message appears.

Effect The START RDF command is aborted.

Recovery See the *Operator Messages Manual* for a description of the error code. For additional details about understanding and correcting file-system errors, see the *Guardian Procedure Errors and Messages Manual*. Make sufficient space available on disk, and then reenter the START RDF command.

RECEIVER RDFVOL error *error#* on creation

error#

is the file-system error number that identifies the specific error.

Cause During execution of a START RDF command or a VALIDATE CONFIGURATION command, RDFCOM determined that sufficient disk storage for image files did not exist on the RDFVOLUME. As one of its validation checks during processing of these commands, RDFCOM tries to create a temporary image file on the receiver's RDFVOLUME and then to allocate all 16 extents. This check, if successful, verifies that:

- If RDF is starting for the first time, there is enough storage for at least one image file
- If RDF has been started previously, there is enough storage for one image file when the next image-file rollover occurs

If the check fails because there is insufficient storage, this message appears.

Effect The command fails.

Recovery See the *Operator Messages Manual* for a description of the error code. For additional details about understanding and correcting file-system errors, see the *Guardian Procedure Errors and Messages Manual*. If possible, correct the error and reenter the command that encountered the error. Otherwise, see your system manager.

RECEIVER RDFVOLUME *device* is NOT a disk volume

device

is the name of the non-disk device.

Cause The RDF configuration file is invalid.

Effect The validation of the receiver fails.

Recovery Specify a valid disk volume.

RECEIVER RDFVOLUME *volume-name* does NOT exist

volume-name

is the name of the nonexistent RDFVOLUME file.

Cause The RDF configuration file is invalid.

Effect The validation of the receiver fails.

Recovery Specify a valid disk volume.

RECEIVER Record does not exist

Cause You tried to add a secondary image trail before adding the receiver's configuration record.

Effect The command fails.

Recovery Add the receiver's record. Then, add the secondary image trail.

RECEIVER record exists, use ALTER RECEIVER

Cause An ADD RECEIVER command was issued when the configuration file already contained a receiver record.

Effect The command fails.

Recovery No recovery is required if you want to use the existing receiver process as it is configured. If you want to change any of the receiver's configuration options, however, enter an ALTER RECEIVER command that specifies those changes.

RECEIVER record NOT found.

Cause The INFO command could not find a receiver record in the configuration file.

Effect The command fails.

Recovery Alter the configuration to include a receiver process.

Receiver record not found for subsystem *ctrl-subvol*.

ctrl-subvol

is the name of an RDF subsystem control subvolume.

Cause RDFCOM was unable to read the receiver record for the RDF subsystem with the specified control subvolume.

Effect Validation fails.

Recovery Determine why the receiver record for the subsystem cannot be obtained.

RECEIVER Record with ATINDEX *atindex* does not exist.

Cause You tried to add an imagetrail with the specified ATINDEX, but there is no receiver with that value.

Effect The ADD command fails.

Recovery You must add the corresponding receiver process before adding an imagetrail with the same ATINDEX value.

Remote system for Triple Contingency CopyAudit command is unavailable:
remote-system

remote-system

is the name of the RDF backup system that received the most audit.

Cause You entered a COPYAUDIT command, but *remote-system* cannot be reached because of a network problem.

Effect The COPYAUDIT command aborts.

Recovery When the remote system becomes available, reissue the COPYAUDIT command.

Remote system for Triple Contingency CopyAudit command is unknown:
remote-system

remote-system

is the name of the RDF backup system that received the most audit.

Cause You entered a COPYAUDIT command, but *remote-system* is unknown to RDF.

Effect The COPYAUDIT command aborts.

Recovery Find the correct node name for the other RDF backup system, and reissue the COPYAUDIT command.

Reserved subvolume *subvolume-name* found in the mapping string
mapping-string in the MAPFILE *filename*

subvolume-name

is the erroneous subvolume specified in the mapping string.

mapping-string

is the erroneous mapping string specified in the mapfile.

filename

is the name of the updater mapfile specified in the updater configuration.

Cause RDFCOM found a reserved subvolume name in the mapping string specified in the updater mapfile when an ADD VOLUME, ALTER VOLUME, START RDF, START UPDATE, or VALIDATE CONFIGURATION command was being executed.

Effect The command fails.

Recovery Remove the reserved subvolume name in the mapping string, then reenter the command.

Restore failed with error *error#* Search is stopped.

error#

is the file-system error number that identifies the specific error.

Cause Restoration of an audit trail file has failed for the reason indicated by *error#*.

Effect RDFCOM immediately terminates its search for a TMF shutdown timestamp and then its attempt to initialize RDF.

Recovery See the *Operator Messages Manual* for a description of the error code. For additional details about understanding and correcting file-system errors, see the *Guardian Procedure Errors and Messages Manual*. If possible, correct the error and reenter the command that encountered the error. Otherwise, see your system manager.

Searching for missing audit in remote imagetrail on *volume*

volume

is one of the RDF image trail volumes on the remote system named in the COPYAUDIT command.

Cause The COPYAUDIT command is about to search for missing audit; this audit reached the specified image trail on the remote system but did not reach the local system before the original primary system was lost.

Effect The COPYAUDIT command begins the search.

Recovery This is an informational message; no recovery is required.

Shutdown at specified timestamp *timestamp* does not exist

timestamp

is the shutdown timestamp to which the initialization was requested.

Cause You entered an INITIALIZE RDF *timestamp* command, but RDFCOM found an audit timestamp earlier than the one you specified in the command. This indicates that a TMF shutdown at the specified timestamp does not exist.

Effect RDF is not initialized.

Recovery Examine the EMS log or the OPRLOG for a TMF shutdown message, and use the corresponding timestamp.

SHUTDOWN Failure: *error#* on RECEIVER

error#

is the error number that identifies the specific error.

Cause RDFCOM could not stop the receiver because of *error#*.

Effect The shutdown operation is aborted.

Recovery See the *Operator Messages Manual* for a description of the error code. For additional details about understanding and correcting errors, see the *Guardian Procedure Errors and Messages Manual*. If possible, correct the error and reenter the command that encountered the error. Otherwise, see your system manager.

SHUTDOWN Failure: *error#* on VOLUME *volume*

error#

is the error number that identifies the specific error.

volume

is the name of an RDF data volume.

Cause RDFCOM could not stop the updater for volume *volume* because of *error*.

Effect The shutdown is aborted.

Recovery See the *Operator Messages Manual* for a description of the error code. For additional details about understanding and correcting errors, see the *Guardian Procedure Errors and Messages Manual*. If possible, correct the error and reenter the command that encountered the error. Otherwise, see your system manager.

Specified network backup system *name* is not defined.

Cause The specified backup system does not exist.

Effect The configuration command fails.

Recovery You must specify a valid backup system name.

Specified network backup system *name* is unavailable.

Cause RDFCOM is unable to reach the specified backup system.

Effect The configuration command fails.

Recovery Determine why the communications path to this system is down and take the appropriate recovery steps to bring it back up.

Specified network primary system *name* is not defined.

Cause The specified primary system does not exist.

Effect The configuration command fails.

Recovery You must specify a valid primary system name.

Specified network primary system *name* is unavailable.

Cause RDFCOM is unable to reach the specified primary system.

Effect The configuration command fails.

Recovery Determine why the comm path to this system is down and take the appropriate recovery steps to bring it up.

Specified TMF shutdown timestamp at *timestamp* is earlier than the earliest timestamp in the TMF MAT. Please examine the OPRLOG for a correct TMF shutdown timestamp.

timestamp

is the shutdown timestamp to which the initialization was requested.

Cause RDFCOM has searched the entire MAT currently on disk, but the timestamp you specified in the INITIALIZE RDF command is earlier than the earliest audit timestamp in the audit trail

Effect RDF is not initialized.

Recovery If all files of the MAT are currently on disk (for instance, the files from AA000001 to the current audit file), then the specified timestamp is earlier than the last time TMF was initialized. To recover, you need to reexamine the EMS log or the OPRLOG for a later TMF shutdown point or stop TMF and use that shutdown point.

If the shutdown record is located in an audit file that is no longer on disk, you will need to restore that file to disk, as well as all files between it and the latest file, and then reenter the command. For example, if files AA000009 through AA000010 are currently on disk, and the shutdown record is located in AA000007, then you must restore AA000007 through AA000008

to disk. Alternatively, you can use a different TMF shutdown point that is located in a MAT file still on disk, or you can stop TMF and use that resulting shutdown point.

START RDF Aborted

Cause A START RDF command aborted.

Effect The command fails.

Recovery Scan the EMS event log to determine why the command aborted, correct the error if possible, and reenter the START RDF command.

START UPDATE in progress, Please Wait...

Cause A START UPDATE command is being executed.

Effect The start operation continues for the updater process.

Recovery This is an informational message; no recovery is required.

Starting RDF, Please Wait...

Cause A START RDF command is being executed.

Effect The start operation continues for RDF.

Recovery This is an informational message; no recovery is required.

STATUS RDF (\primary-> \backup) is NOT running

primary

is the name of the primary node in the RDF configuration.

backup

is the name of the backup node in the RDF configuration.

Cause A STATUS RDF command was issued while RDF was not running.

Effect The command fails.

Recovery Enter another command, or wait until RDF is started and then reenter the STATUS RDF command.

STOP SYNCH command is aborted.

Cause You are attempting to execute the RDFCOM STOP SYNCH command, but either the RDF product is not running or another critical operation is already in progress.

Effect The RDFCOM STOP SYNCH command aborts.

Recovery Correct the situation and then reissue the command.

STOP SYNCH command is aborted because database synchronization is not in progress.

Cause You are attempting to execute an RDFCOM STOP SYNCH command, but online database synchronization is not in progress.

Effect The RDFCOM STOP SYNCH command aborts.

Recovery You can only execute the STOP SYNCH command if the RDF product is currently involved in online database synchronization. Because the RDF product is not involved in a database synchronization, this is an informational message; no recovery is required.

STOP UPDATE in progress, Please Wait...

Cause A STOP UPDATE command is being executed.

Effect The stop operation continues for the updater process.

Recovery This is an informational message; no recovery is required.

STOP UPDATE request could not be completed

Cause You entered a STOP UPDATE command, but the monitor could not send stop messages to all updater processes and has logged RDF error 841 to the EMS event log.

Effect Some updaters might have shut down, but others never received the stop message and are still running. The receiver and monitor cannot now identify these updaters, and you cannot stop them with another STOP UPDATE command or a STOP RDF command.

Recovery All remaining updaters must be manually stopped from the TACL interface (for example, with a TACL STOP \$UPD1 command). Examine the EMS event log for the error message 841; this message contains the Guardian error number that the monitor received when attempting to stop the updater.

Storing missing audit in the imagerail.

Cause The COPYAUDIT command has located the missing audit for the image trail identified in the previous message and is ready to move that audit from the remote system to the local system.

Effect The COPYAUDIT command moves the audit to the local system.

Recovery This is an informational message; no recovery is required.

SUFFIX must be a single alphanumeric character

Cause You specified an incorrect value for the SUFFIX option of the INITIALIZE RDF command.

Effect The INITIALIZE RDF command is aborted.

Recovery Reenter the command, specifying a single alphanumeric character for the suffix character.

Swap File Error: *error#*

error#

is the file-system error number that identifies the specific error.

Cause A NEWPROCESS error occurred during START RDF or TAKEOVER processing.

Effect The command fails.

Recovery See the *Operator Messages Manual* for a description of the error code. For additional details about understanding and correcting process errors, see the *Guardian Procedure Errors and Messages Manual*. If possible, correct the error and reenter the command that encountered the error. Otherwise, see your system manager.

Synch point for synchdbtime has been found

synchdbtime

is a SYNCHDBTIME timestamp specified previously by an operator in an RDFCOM INITIALIZE RDF command.

Cause In conjunction with a complete database synchronization, a record whose timestamp is less than *synchdbtime* has been located successfully.

Effect The RDFCOM INITIALIZE RDF command continues.

Recovery This is an informational message; no recovery is required.

Synch timestamp is *synchdbtime*

synchdbtime

is a SYNCHDBTIME timestamp specified previously by an operator in an RDFCOM INITIALIZE RDF command.

Cause In conjunction with a complete database synchronization, you are attempting to initialize RDF to a timestamp that is earlier than the current time. A record whose timestamp is less than *synchdbtime* has been found, and *synchdbtime* has been stored in the RDF configuration record.

Effect The RDFCOM INITIALIZE RDF command continues.

Recovery This is an informational message; no recovery is required.

TAKEOVER in progress

Cause A takeover operation is underway.

Effect The takeover operation continues.

Recovery This is an informational message; no recovery is required.

TAKEOVER command is not allowed in an OBEY/IN file without the bang (!) option.

Cause TAKEOVER command has been issued through an OBEY/IN file without bang (!) option.

Effect The TAKEOVER operation is aborted.

Recovery Specify the bang (!) option along with the TAKEOVER command in the OBEY/IN file or issue the TAKEOVER command from RDFCOM command prompt.

The control subvolume *name* is not presently configured for an RDF primary system. You must use the OPEN command to open an RDF CONFIG file in an existing RDF control subvolume, or you must initialize a new RDF configuration with the INITIALIZE RDF command.

name

is the name of the control subvolume explicitly specified or the primary system name assigned by default.

Cause The control subvolume either specified or selected by default does not exist.

Effect The control subvolume remains undefined.

Recovery Either use the OPEN command to open an RDF CONFIG file in an existing RDF control subvolume, or initialize a new RDF configuration with the INITIALIZE RDF command.

The control subvolume `\sys.$SYSTEM.subvol` is not empty. The files on the control subvolume must be purged. Please note, these files might belong to another RDF configuration.

sys

is the name of the primary system.

subvol

is the name of the local RDF control subvolume.

Cause You tried to execute an INITIALIZE RDF command, but RDF control files (such as CONFIG or CONTEXT) already exist on the local control subvolume.

Effect The INITIALIZE RDF command aborts.

Recovery You must purge `$SYSTEM.subvol.*` on the primary system before you can retry the INITIALIZE RDF command. Before doing so, however, be sure that the existing files do not belong to a different RDF configuration that is still valid.

The EXTRACTOR must be a named process

Cause You must specify a process name for the extractor process before issuing an ADD command.

Effect The start command fails.

Recovery You must reconfigure RDF with a named extractor process.

The last record in the local imagetrail on *volume-name.subvolume-name* could not be found in the remote trail

volume-name

is the name of the image trail's volume

subvolume-name

is the name of the image trail's subvolume.

Cause The COPYAUDIT command could not find the last record in the local image trail on the remote image trail. This problem indicates that the receiver's RETAINCOUNT value was

probably not set high enough and that, as a result, some image files on the remote system were purged.

Effect The COPYAUDIT command aborts.

Recovery There is no recovery action. The COPYAUDIT command cannot be executed because image files needed for this command were already purged from the remote system.

The MAPFILE *filename* is not found

filename

is the name of the updater mapfile specified in the updater configuration.

Cause RDFCOM could not find the updater mapfile when an ADD VOLUME, ALTER VOLUME, START RDF, START UPDATE, or VALIDATE CONFIGURATION command was being executed.

Effect The command fails.

Recovery Provide an existing mapfile and reenter the command.

The MAPFILE *filename* should be an edit file

filename

is the name of the updater mapfile specified in the updater configuration.

Cause RDFCOM found that the updater mapfile is not an EDIT format file when an ADD VOLUME, ALTER VOLUME, START RDF, START UPDATE, or VALIDATE CONFIGURATION command was being executed.

Effect The command fails.

Recovery Provide an edit file and reenter the command.

The MAPLOG file *filename* could not be created: error *error#*

filename

is the name of the updater maplog specified in the updater configuration.

error#

is the file-system error number that identifies the specific error.

Cause Create operation returned an error when RDFCOM tried to create the updater maplog file when an ADD VOLUME, ALTER VOLUME, START UPDATE, or START RDF command was being executed.

Effect The command fails.

Recovery See the *Guardian Procedure Errors and Messages Manual* for a description of the recovery actions for the file-system error. Correct the error indicated by *error#*, then reenter the command.

The MAPLOG file *filename* should be an edit file

filename

is the name of the updater maplog specified in the updater configuration.

Cause RDFCOM found that the updater maplog is not an edit format file when an ADD VOLUME, ALTER VOLUME, START RDF, or START UPDATE command was being executed.

Effect The command fails.

Recovery Provide an edit file and reenter the command.

The MAT file with sequence number *seq-num* is not currently on disk. RDFCOM can trigger the restoration of the file, but only as a waited operation and you must mount the tapes Do you want RDFCOM to restore the file?

seq-num

is the sequence number of the MAT file.

Cause While searching for a TMF shutdown timestamp to use to initialize RDF, RDFCOM found that the audit trail file with the specified sequence number is not currently available. If you respond to the prompt with YES or Y, RDFCOM directs the TMP to begin restoring this file.



NOTE: If the file was dumped to tape, you must wait for the TMP to prompt you to mount the tape. This mount request is logged in the EMS log.

If you respond with NO or N, then RDFCOM aborts the initialization attempt.

Effect RDFCOM waits for your response to the prompt.

Recovery Respond YES or Y, or NO or N, to the prompt.

The MONITOR must be a named process.

Cause You must specify a process name for the monitor process before issuing an ADD command.

Effect The start command fails.

Recovery You must reconfigure RDF with the named monitor process.

The number of physical UPDATEVOLUMES exceeds 255. RDF/IMPX is required for this many volumes.

Cause RDF has detected that the user is running RDF/IMP and the total number of physical volumes for all UPDATEVOLUMES exceeds 255. This can happen where some, or all, of the UPDATEVOLUMES are SMF virtual disks.

Effect RDF will not start.

Recovery Upgrade the RDF software to RDF/IMPX or reconfigure your disks on the RDF backup node so that the total number of physical disks for all the UPDATEVOLUMES is less than 255.

The PURGER must be a named process

Cause You must specify a process name for the purger process before issuing an ADD command.

Effect The start command fails.

Recovery You must reconfigure RDF with a named purger process.

The RDF primary system in the environment you are attempting to copy audit from does not match the primary system in this environment.

Cause The COPYAUDIT command detected that the RDF primary system in the RDF environment you are attempting to copy audit from is not the same as the RDF primary system in the local environment.

Effect The COPYAUDIT command aborts.

Recovery Correct the REMOTESYS *remote-sys* and REMOTECONTROLSUBVOL *rcvs* parameters and reissue the COPYAUDIT command.

RDFNET must be a named process

Cause You must specify a process name for the RDFNET process before issuing an ADD command.

Effect The start command fails.

Recovery You must reconfigure RDF with a named RDFNET process.

"The remote control subvolume *\bkysys.\$SYSTEM.subvol* is not empty. The files on the remote control subvolume must be purged. Please note, these files might belong to another RDF configuration.

`\bksys`

is the name of the RDF backup system.

`subvol`

is the name of the remote control subvolume.

Cause You tried to execute an INITIALIZE RDF command, but the RDF control files (such as CONFIG or CONTEXT) already exist on the remote control subvolume. If these files are on the backup system, then that name is specified.

Effect The INITIALIZE RDF command aborts.

Recovery You must purge `\$SYSTEM.subvol.*` on the backup systems before you can retry the INITIALIZE RDF command. Before doing so, however, be sure that the existing files do not belong to a different RDF configuration that is still valid.

The specified timestamp cannot be in the future

Cause You have specified an INITTIME timestamp that is in the future rather than in the past.

Effect The INITIALIZE RDF command aborts.

Recovery Reissue the STOP UPDATE, TIMESTAMP command, specifying a timestamp that is earlier than the current system time as shown in the status display.

The specified timestamp must be at least five minutes greater than the current time

Cause The timestamp specified in a STOP UPDATE, TIMESTAMP command is less than five minutes from the current time.

Effect The STOP UPDATE command aborts.

Recovery Reissue the STOP UPDATE, TIMESTAMP command, specifying a timestamp that is at least five minutes ahead of the current time.

The STOP SYNCH command is aborted because it has been issued previously.

Cause You are attempting to execute an RDFCOM STOP SYNCH command, but the command has already been issued previously.

Effect The RDFCOM STOP SYNCH command aborts.

Recovery You can only execute the STOP SYNCH command if the RDF product is currently involved in online database synchronization. Because the STOP SYNCH command has already been issued, this is an informational message; no recovery is required.

The Triple Contingency COPYAUDIT command has completed successfully.
You must now issue a new RDFCOM Takeover command.

Cause The COPYAUDIT command has finished copying the missing audit from the remote system to the local system and has updated all context records on the local system.

Effect The context records are updated.

Recovery This is an informational message; no recovery is required.

The total number of items in the INCLUDE, EXCLUDE, INCLUDEPURGE and EXCLUDEPURGE lists has exceeded 100.

Cause The total number of items in the INCLUDE, EXCLUDE, INCLUDEPURGE, and EXCLUDEPURGE lists, are more than 100.

Effect The volume is not added for RDF protection.

Recovery Reduce the total number of items in the INCLUDE, EXCLUDE, INCLUDEPURGE, and EXCLUDEPURGE lists to less than or equal to 100.

The UPDATER must be a named process

Cause You must specify a process name for the updater process before issuing an ADD command.

Effect The start command fails.

Recovery You must reconfigure RDF with a named updater process.

The year must be greater than 1996.

Cause You specified the year of a timestamp that is earlier than 1997.

Effect The command involving the timestamp fails.

Recovery Reissue the command, specifying a timestamp year that is 1997 or greater.

This aux EXTRACTOR Record already exists.

Cause You tried to add an EXTRACTOR with a particular ATINDEX value, but there is already one configured with that value.

Effect The ADD command fails.

Recovery Review and revise your RDF configuration.

This aux RECEIVER Record already exists.

Cause You tried to add an RECEIVER with a particular ATINDEX value, but there is already one configured with that value.

Effect The ADD command fails.

Recovery Review and revise your RDF configuration.

This command is not allowed in an OBEY file.

Cause An illegal command was encountered within an OBEY command file.

Effect The command fails.

Recovery Remove the command from the OBEY command file, and reenter the command directly from your terminal.

This RDF subsystem is not configured in the network master subsystem

Cause Your current RDF subsystem is not listed in your the configuration of your network master.

Effect Validation fails.

Recovery You must reconfigure your network master and possibly your local configuration.

TMF is having trouble.

Cause There is a problem with TMF.

Effect The configuration validation fails.

Recovery Check the status of TMF. When TMF is operational, reenter the command.

TMF is not configured.

Cause TMF has not been configured.

Effect The requested RDFCOM operation fails.

Recovery Configure and start TMF, and request the RDFCOM operation again.

TMF is not running.

Cause While either attempting to validate the RDF configuration or to start RDF, RDFCOM discovered that TMF is not running.

Effect The command fails.

Recovery Start TMF. Then validate your configuration and start RDF.

TMF is not started yet.

Cause TMF has not been started.

Effect The requested RDFCOM operation fails.

Recovery Check the contents of the RDF configuration file, issue a VALIDATE RDF command to verify the configuration, and reissue your request for the RDFCOM operation you originally wanted to perform.

TMF NAT table is full.

Cause There is a problem with TMF.

Effect The configuration validation fails.

Recovery Check the status of TMF. When TMF is operational, reenter the command.

TMF Shutdown at *timestamp* has been found. RDF starts with MAT file *filename* at RBA *relative-byte-address*

timestamp

is the shutdown timestamp sought.

filename

is the name of the MAT file that contained the record with the matching timestamp.

relative-byte-address

is the relative byte address where the record with the matching timestamp was found in the MAT file.

Cause RDFCOM has found the TMF shutdown timestamp identical to the timestamp specified in the INITIALIZE RDF *timestamp* command.

Effect RDF is ready to be initialized at the specified timestamp.

Recovery This is an informational message; no recovery is required.

TMF STOP in progress.

Cause A TMF stop operation is in progress.

Effect TMF stops, and RDF automatically stops thereafter.

Recovery This is an informational message; no recovery is required.

To issue this command, the RTD time of the extractor must be 0:00. Have you confirmed that the RTD is 0:00?

Cause You are attempting to execute an RDFCOM STOP SYNCH command. To ensure that the extractor does not miss any audit record, the extractor RTD must be 0:00 before executing this command.

Effect You are prompted for a “yes” or “no” response.

Recovery Enter YES (or Y) to execute the command or NO (or N) to cancel it.

Too many volumes are configured (number > *max*)

max

is 64 for RDF, and 255 for the RDF/MP, MPX, IMP, or IMPX

Cause The maximum number of volumes that can be protected on a node (64 for RDF, 255 for RDF/MP, MPX, IMP, or IMPX) has been exceeded.

Effect The configuration validation fails.

Recovery Delete some of the volumes.

Too many volumes are specified in this ALTER command

Cause You specified too many volumes in the command parameter list of an ALTER command.

Effect The ALTER command aborts.

Recovery Eliminate some of the volumes from the command parameter list.

Triple Contingency CopyAudit command aborted.

Cause The COPYAUDIT command has aborted because of a problem reported in the previous RDFCOM message.

Effect The COPYAUDIT command aborts.

Recovery Correct the problem reported in the previous error message and reissue the COPYAUDIT command.

Unable to allocate Map

Cause A NEWPROCESS error occurred during START RDF or TAKEOVER processing.

Effect The NEWPROCESS procedure fails.

Recovery Make sufficient space available on the swap volume for the requested operation.

Unable to communicate with CPU *cpu*

cpu

is the CPU that is not responding.

Cause A NEWPROCESS error occurred during START RDF or TAKEOVER processing.

Effect The NEWPROCESS procedure fails.

Recovery Check the status of the CPU, or enter SET and ALTER commands to direct the process to run on a different CPU.

Unable to get MAT filename with sequence number *seq-num* from the TMP; search stopped.

seq-num

is the sequence number of the MAT file.

Cause RDFCOM could not obtain the fully qualified name of the audit trail file with the specified sequence number from the TMP.

Effect RDFCOM terminates the search for a TMF shutdown timestamp and then its attempt to initialize RDF.

Recovery Check to see if TMF is started:

- If it is not, start TMF before you again attempt to initialize RDF.
- If it is running and this error occurs, this is an internal error. Contact the Global Mission Critical Solution Center (GMCSC) or your service provider.

Unable to obtain the process access id of RDFCOM

Cause RDFCOM could not obtain the process access id of the user who started the RDFCOM session.

Effect The ADD command fails.

Recovery Exit RDFCOM and then try again. If the problem persists, contact the Global Mission Critical Solution Center (GMCSC) or your service provider.

Unable to purge old image file due to error *error#* DELETE ABORTED

error#

is the file-system error number that identifies the specific error.

Cause A START RDF command failed because the reported error prevented RDFCOM from purging the old image file.

Effect The command fails.

Recovery See the *Operator Messages Manual* for a description of the error code. For additional details about understanding and correcting file-system errors, see the *Guardian Procedure Errors and Messages Manual*. Manually purge any files on the image file subvolume, and then reissue the START RDF command.

Unable to purge remaining image files; error *error#*

`error#`

is the file-system error number that identifies the specific error.

Cause A DELETE IMAGETRAIL command tried to delete an image trail, but RDFCOM could not purge all image files in the trail because of the error denoted by file-system *file-error*.

Effect The command fails.

Recovery See the *Operator Messages Manual* for a description of the error code. For additional details about understanding and correcting file-system errors, see the *Guardian Procedure Errors and Messages Manual*. Correct the error and reenter the command.

Undefined Externals

Cause A NEWPROCESS error occurred during START RDF or TAKEOVER processing.

Effect The operation is aborted.

Recovery This is an internal error. Contact the Global Mission Critical Solution Center (GMCSC) or your service provider.

Unidentifiable newprocess error: `newproc0:7:newproc8:15`

`newproc#`

identifies the new process error.

Cause A NEWPROCESS error occurred during START RDF or TAKEOVER processing.

Effect The command fails.

Recovery See the *Operator Messages Manual* for a description of the error. For additional details about understanding and correcting process errors, see the *Guardian Procedure Errors and Messages Manual*. If possible, correct the error and reenter the command that encountered the error. Otherwise, see your system manager.

Unlicensed Privileged Program

Cause A NEWPROCESS error occurred during START RDF or TAKEOVER processing.

Effect The operation is aborted.

Recovery License the program, using the File Utility Program (FUP).

UPDATE is already off

Cause A STOP UPDATE command was issued when updating is disabled.

Effect The command fails.

Recovery This is an informational message; no recovery is required.

UPDATE is already on

Cause A START UPDATE command was issued when updating is enabled.

Effect The command fails.

Recovery This is an informational message; no recovery is required.

UPDATE request could not be performed

Cause RDFCOM could not execute a START UPDATE or STOP UPDATE command.

Effect The command fails.

Recovery Scan the EMS event log to determine why the command could not be performed. Correct the error condition, if possible, and request the update operation again.

VOLUME device is NOT a disk volume

`device`

is the non-disk device assigned to the updater.

Cause The RDF configuration file is invalid.

Effect RDF will not start.

Recovery Change the RDF configuration to reflect a valid disk volume.

VOLUME *device* UPDATEVOLUME is NOT a disk volume
device

is the non-disk device assigned for the UPDATEVOLUME.

Cause The RDF configuration file is invalid.

Effect RDF will not start.

Recovery Change the RDF configuration to reflect a valid disk volume.

VOLUME Record exists, use ALTER VOLUME *volume*

Cause An ADD VOLUME command was issued when the configuration file already contained an updater record for the *volume*.

Effect The RDF command fails.

Recovery No recovery is required if you want to use the existing updater process as it is configured. If you want to change any of the updater's configuration options, however, enter an ALTER VOLUME command that specifies those changes.

VOLUME *volume* contains too many physical volumes The SMF pool cannot contain more than 15 volumes

volume

is the offending SMF virtual disk

Cause The updater is configured to a virtual SMF disk that consists of more than 15 physical disks. This configuration is not supported by the RDF product.

Effect RDF will not start.

Recovery Reset your RDF configurations and/or your SMF configuration so that the updaters are either assigned to physical volumes, or your SMF virtual disks map to 15 or fewer physical volumes.

VOLUME *volume* does NOT exist

volume

is the volume on the primary node for which the updater is responsible.

Cause The RDF configuration file is invalid.

Effect RDF will not start.

Recovery Bring the volume up or delete it from the RDF configuration.

VOLUME *volume* is NOT configured within TMF

volume

is the volume on the primary node for which the updater is responsible.

Cause The RDF configuration file is invalid.

Effect RDF will not start.

Recovery Delete the volume from the RDF configuration or add the volume to the TMF configuration.

VOLUME *volume* needs the IMAGETRAIL *image trail*; DELETE aborted

volume

is the name of the volume on the primary system that requires the image trail.

image trail

is the name of the required image trail.

Cause You tried to delete an image trail that is still being used by an updater.

Effect The command fails.

Recovery Delete the updater, and then delete the image trail.

VOLUME *vol-name* does not match imagetrail ATINDEX *atindex*

Cause You added an updater with the specified ATINDEX, but the IMAGEVOLUME configured for the updater does not have that value.

Effect The validation fails.

Recovery Alter the particular updater's ATINDEX value to match the appropriate audit trail number or delete the updater.

VOLUME *vol-name* is NOT audited to ATINDEX *atindex*

Cause You added an updater with the specified ATINDEX, but the primary system data volume to be protected is not mapped to the audit trail with that audit trail number.

Effect The validation fails.

Recovery Alter the particular updater's ATINDEX value to match the appropriate audit trail number or delete the updater.

VOLUME *volume* UPDATEVOLUME does NOT exist

volume

is the volume on the primary node for which the updater is responsible.

Cause The RDF configuration file is invalid.

Effect RDF will not start.

Recovery Bring the volume up, or delete it from the RDF configuration.

VOLUME *volume* record NOT found

volume

is the volume on the primary node for which the updater is responsible.

Cause The INFO command could not find an updater record for *volume* in the configuration file.

Effect The command fails.

Recovery Alter the configuration to include the updater process.

WARNING - BACKUPSWAP parameter has no effect, KMSF swap volume takes precedence

Cause The user attempted to SET or ALTER the RDF BACKUPSWAP parameter.

Effect This parameter no longer has any effect. The KMSF subsystem controls the placement of the RDF processes' swap files.

Recovery This is an informational message; no recovery is required.

*** Warning *** FASTUPDATEMODE is already OFF.

Cause You have tried to turn FASTUPDATEMODE OFF for a Receiver when it was already OFF.

Effect The command is ignored.

Recovery This is an informational message; no recovery is required.

*** Warning *** FASTUPDATEMODE is already ON.

Cause You have tried to turn FASTUPDATEMODE ON for a Receiver when it was already ON.

Effect The command is ignored.

Recovery This is an informational message; no recovery is required.

WARNING: No backup cpu has been configured for the *procname*

procname

is the RDF process without a backup CPU, which is one of: EXTRACTOR, MONITOR, RECEIVER, or \$volume UPDATER.

Cause RDF is started without a backup process for the process identified in this message.

Effect RDF is started.

Recovery Stop RDF, reconfigure it to include a backup CPU for the RDF process, and start the subsystem once again.

* * * WARNING * * * NSA SQL DDL operation encountered in the audit trail. If you have already performed this DDL operation on the backup database, you should initialize RDF to a later point in the audit trail.

Cause You tried to initialize RDF to a timestamp, and RDFCOM encountered an audit record indicating that you previously performed a SQL shared-access DDL operation.

Effect The operation completes.

Recovery This is an informational message. If you already performed the SQL DDL operation manually on the backup system, then you must reinitialize RDF to a later point in time. Failure to do so could cause a cascade of errors by RDF updaters after you start RDF.

WARNING - PRIMARYSWAP parameter has no effect, KMSF swap volume takes precedence

Cause The user attempted to SET or ALTER the RDF PRIMARYSWAP parameter.

Effect This parameter no longer has any effect. The KMSF subsystem controls the placement of the RDF processes' swap files.

Recovery This is an informational message; no recovery is required.

* * * WARNING * * * RDF will start at the first record in the TMF master audit trail beyond the specified shutdown timestamp. RDF will ignore all audit generated before this timestamp.

Cause You entered an INITIALIZE RDF command that attempted to initialize RDF at a specific TMF shutdown timestamp.

Effect RDF is ready to start reading the Master Audit Trail (MAT).

Recovery This is an informational message; no recovery is required.

* * * WARNING * * * RDF will start at the first record in the TMF master audit trail whose timestamp is less than the specified timestamp. The timestamp you specified must follow the documented guidelines.

Cause You are attempting to initialize RDF in conjunction with a complete database synchronization.

Effect If an audit record can be found whose timestamp is less than the specified timestamp, RDF is initialized to that record.

Recovery This is an informational message; no recovery is required.

* * * WARNING * * * RDF will start at the first record in the TMF master audit trail whose timestamp is less than the specified timestamp. The timestamp you specified must follow the documented guidelines. Please note that RDFCOM will subtract an additional three minutes from the specified timestamp to ensure a safe restart position.

Cause You are attempting to initialize RDF to a timestamp that is earlier than the current time, and database synchronization is not involved.

Effect If an audit record can be found whose timestamp is less than the specified timestamp, RDF is initialized to that record. If you were running RDF prior to this initialization command, you should take into consideration the highest updater RTD. In addition, RDFCOM subtracts

another three minutes from the specified timestamp to ensure that the starting position in the audit trail is a safe one.

Recovery This is an informational message; no recovery is required.

*** WARNING *** REPLICATEPURGE is not turned ON.

Cause REPLICATEPURGE is turned OFF but INCLUDEPURGE or EXCLUDEPURGE lists have been added for a volume.

Effect The INCLUDEPURGE or EXCLUDEPURGE lists will be ignored for the volume.

Recovery SET RDF REPLICATEPURGE to ON before starting RDF.

*** Warning *** Updater Open Mode has been specified the same value as it was before using the ALTER RDF UPDATEROPEN command.

Cause The ALTER RDF UPDATEROPEN command has been specified with the same mode which was present prior to issuing the command.

Effect The command fails.

Recovery This is an informational message. No action needed.

Write error *error#* on attempt to reach the extractor, STOP SYNCH command aborted.

error#

is the file-system error number that identifies the specific error.

Cause You are attempting to execute an RDFCOM STOP SYNCH command, but RDFCOM encountered the specified error while sending the message to the extractor.

Effect The STOP SYNCH command aborts.

Recovery See the *Operator Messages Manual* for a description of the error code. For additional details about understanding and correcting file-system errors, see the *Guardian Procedure Errors and Messages Manual*. Correct the problem and reissue the STOP SYNCH command.

Write error *error#* on local image file

error#

is the file-system error number that identifies the specific error.

Cause The COPYAUDIT command encountered the specified error while attempting to write data to a local image file on the local image trail.

Effect The COPYAUDIT command aborts.

Recovery See the *Operator Messages Manual* for a description of the error code. For additional details about understanding and correcting file-system errors, see the *Guardian Procedure Errors and Messages Manual*. If possible, correct the error and reenter the COPYAUDIT command. Otherwise, see your system manager.

Write error *error#* on local ZFILEINC file

error#

is the file-system error number that identifies the specific error.

Cause The COPYAUDIT command encountered the specified error while attempting to write data to the local ZFILEINC file.

Effect The COPYAUDIT command aborts.

Recovery See the *Operator Messages Manual* for a description of the error code. For additional details about understanding and correcting file-system errors, see the *Guardian Procedure Errors and Messages Manual*. If possible, correct the underlying error and reenter the COPYAUDIT command. Otherwise, contact your service provider.

Write error *error#* on new image file *filename*

error#

is the file-system error number that identifies the specific error.

filename

is the name of the image trail file associated with the error.

Cause The COPYAUDIT command encountered the specified error while attempting to write data into the specified image file on the local image trail volume.

Effect The COPYAUDIT command aborts.

Recovery See the *Operator Messages Manual* for a description of the error code. For additional details about understanding and correcting file-system errors, see the *Guardian Procedure Errors and Messages Manual*. If possible, correct the error and reenter the COPYAUDIT command. Otherwise, see your system manager.

You are about to copy audit records from *remote-system* to *local-system*
Are you sure you want to proceed [Y/N] ?

remote-system

is the name of the RDF backup system that received the most audit.

local-system

is the name of the local RDF system that received the least audit.

Cause You entered a COPYAUDIT command and receive this message as a prompt for confirmation that you want to proceed with the command's execution.

Effect If you respond YES or Y, RDF executes the command. If you respond NO or N, the command terminates.

Recovery This is an informational message; no recovery is required.

You are about to unpin a file that the extractor needs. Are you sure you want to proceed?

Cause You have asked RDFCOM to unpin a file that is currently needed by the extractor. If you respond "yes," the file is unpinned and TMF can rename it. If the file is renamed, RDF cannot be restarted until you restore the file.

Effect RDFCOM suspends until you respond to the prompt.

Recovery Respond "yes" or "no" to the prompt.

You are attempting a TAKEOVER operation immediately after the receiver has crashed. Please contact your HP analyst before proceeding with the TAKEOVER operation.

Cause RDFCOM has detected that the receiver stopped prematurely the last time it was running. Because you are attempting the takeover operation before RDF has been allowed to restart, the probability is high that your database is already inconsistent with respect to transaction boundaries. That is, for some transactions, all audit data might not have been applied to database.

Effect The database might be inconsistent.

Recovery Performing the takeover might still leave the database inconsistent. If you nevertheless choose to perform the takeover operation, you must first manually repair the last image file on disk. Before proceeding, contact the Global Mission Critical Solution Center (GMCSC) or your service provider.

You are logged on as *user-id*. To issue this command you must be *super-id*.

Cause You tried to issue a critical RDFCOM command, but you are not the super-user who initialized the RDF configuration.

Effect The command fails.

Recovery Log on as the super-user who initialized your RDF configuration.

You cannot add more than 48 network records

Cause The current limit for the number of RDF subsystems in your RDF network is 48 and you have attempted to add 49.

Effect The configuration command fails.

Recovery Do not add any more network records.

You cannot alter MAPFILE on the backup system if the primary system is available

Cause During execution of an ALTER VOLUME command on the backup system, RDFCOM determined that the primary system is accessible.

Effect The command fails.

Recovery Reenter the command on the primary system.

You cannot alter MAPLOG on the backup system if the primary system is available

Cause During execution of an ALTER VOLUME command on the backup system, RDFCOM determined that the primary system is accessible.

Effect The command fails.

Recovery Reenter the command on the primary system.

You cannot START RDF after an RDF Takeover operation.

Cause You tried to start RDF after an RDF takeover operation has been performed.

Effect The START RDF command fails.

Recovery You must initialize RDF on the primary system. You should also ensure that the takeover operation completed successfully.

You cannot start updaters before the extractor has completed Phase 2 of its online database synchronization operation.

Cause You tried to start updaters by either a START RDF or START UPDATE command before the extractor completed Phase 2 of its database synchronization operation.

Effect The START RDF or START UPDATE command fails.

Recovery You must wait until the extractor has logged message 782 before starting the updaters. You can, however, issue a START RDF, UPDATE OFF command.

You have not added the master EXTRACTOR yet

Cause You tried to add an auxiliary extractor before adding the master extractor.

Effect The ADD command fails.

Recovery You must add the master extractor first.

You have not added the master RECEIVER yet

Cause You tried to add an auxiliary receiver before adding the master receiver.

Effect The ADD command fails.

Recovery You must add the master receiver first.

You must specify the year with four digits

Cause You specified the year in a timestamp with less than four digits.

Effect The command involving the timestamp fails.

Recovery Reissue the command, specifying a four-digit year in the timestamp.

RDFSCAN Messages

The following RDFSCAN messages (listed alphabetically by text) can appear on your terminal screen during an RDFSCAN session.

Beyond eof!

Cause The AT position specified is beyond the end-of-file mark in the current log file.

Effect The AT command fails.

Recovery Reenter the AT command, this time with a *record-number* parameter that indicates a position before the end-of-file mark.

Error *error#* attempting to open the help file

error#

is the file-system error number that identifies the specific error.

Cause A file-system error occurred while RDFSCAN was trying to open the HELP file, RDFSCANH.

Effect The HELP command fails.

Recovery See the *Operator Messages Manual* for a description of the error code. For additional details about understanding and correcting file-system errors, see the *Guardian Procedure Errors and Messages Manual*. If possible, correct the error and reenter the HELP command. Otherwise, see your system manager.

Error *error#* trying to open logfile, *filename*

error#

is the file-system error number that identifies the specific error.

filename

is the name of the log file associated with the error.

Cause A file-system error occurred while RDFSCAN was trying to open the specified log file.

Effect The command fails.

Recovery See the *Operator Messages Manual* for a description of the error code. For additional details about understanding and correcting file-system errors, see the *Guardian Procedure Errors and Messages Manual*. If possible, correct the error and reenter the command that encountered the error. Otherwise, see your system manager.

File error: *error#* trying to read RDFlog file

error#

is the file-system error number that identifies the specific error.

Cause A file-system error occurred while RDFSCAN was trying to read the current log file

Effect The command fails.

Recovery See the *Operator Messages Manual* for a description of the error code. For additional details about understanding and correcting file-system errors, see the *Guardian Procedure Errors and Messages Manual*. If possible, correct the error and reenter the command that encountered the error. Otherwise, see your system manager.

Filename given could not be opened, old file still in use

Cause A command tried to access a file that was in use.

Effect The command fails.

Recovery This is an informational message; no recovery is required.

Filename is an invalid filename

Filename

is the invalid filename.

Cause The specified file is not a valid file recognized by the operating system.

Effect The command fails.

Recovery Check the filename for correct spelling and compliance with syntax rules.

HELP for *command* not found

command

is the RDFSCAN command for which online help was requested.

Cause The command for which HELP text was requested is not a valid RDFSCAN command.

Effect The HELP command fails.

Recovery Enter another RDFSCAN command, or select another command for which to request help.

Invalid request

Cause The request was not a valid RDFSCAN command.

Effect The command fails.

Recovery Enter another RDFSCAN command.

D Operational Limits

Table D-1 Operational Limits for RDF/IMP, IMPX, and ZLT

Limit Description	Maximum Value
Number of volumes being protected	255
Number of volumes in an SMF pool on backup system	15
Number of auxiliary image trails	255
Number of files per updater	3000
Number of RDF configurations with the same primary system	37
Number of systems that can contribute audit to a primary system	255
Maximum number of image trail file primary and secondary extents	65,500
Maximum number of primary systems that can be in an RDF network for protection of a distributed database	48

E Using ASAP

ASAP (Availability Statistics and Performance) allows many subsystem entities to be monitored across a network of NonStop servers. The status and statistics for the entities are collected on a single system, and are then monitored either through the ASAP command interface or through the ASAP graphical user interface (GUI) PC client.

RDF/IMP and IMPX are instrumented to feed state information to ASAP, thus allowing RDF subsystems to be monitored, in an integrated way, alongside all other subsystems supported by ASAP. These RDF entities report state and statistical information to ASAP:

- Monitor
- Extractor
- RDFNET (optional)
- Receiver
- Purger
- Updater

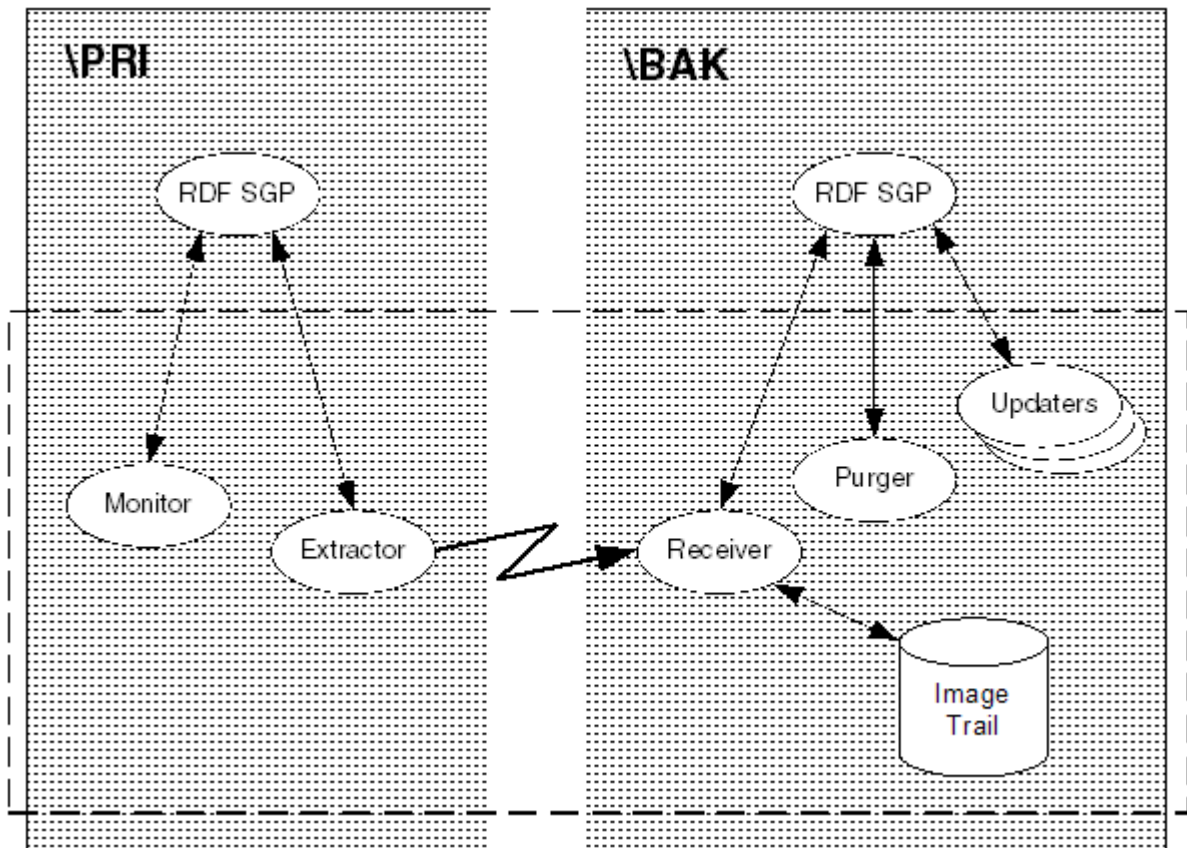
Architectural Overview

RDF/IMP and IMPX are supplied with an object file called ASAPRDF which is the ASAP/RDF Smart Gatherer Process (SGP). SGP is the interface between ASAP and the RDF environments. For every system in which ASAP is configured to collect RDF data, the ASAP monitor starts an RDF SGP process. [Figure E-1](#) shows a single RDF environment replicating from \PRI to \BAK.

To monitor an RDF environment using ASAP, you must configure an RDF SGP on both the primary and backup RDF systems. The SGP on the primary system reports data for the monitor and extractor processes. The SGP on the backup system reports data for the image trails and receiver, purger, and updater processes.

At regular intervals, the SGP process reports the status of each RDF entity residing on that system to the ASAP collector (not shown). The ASAP collector writes the RDF status information into the ASAP database, from which ASAP can be used to display and monitor the status of the RDF environment. See the *ASAP Server Manual* and the *ASAP Client Manual* for details about how to monitor ASAP entities.

Figure E-1 The RDF/ASAP Environment



Installation

The RDF SGP is packaged with the RDF/IMP and IMPX products and, by default, is installed on `$SYSTEM.RDF`. You might, however, place this object file wherever you want. If you install the SGP object file somewhere other than `$SYSTEM.RDF`, you must ensure that the ASAP configuration points to the correct location (by way of the `SET RDF` command within the ASAP command interface). See the *ASAP Server Manual* for details about the `SET RDF` command.

Auto Discovery

To simplify configuration, the RDF SGP automatically attempts to discover all the RDF environments on the system where it is started by searching RDF control subvolumes on `$SYSTEM` for RDF configuration files. By default it monitors the status of all RDF/IMP and IMPX environments it finds.



NOTE: Before starting the RDF SGP for the first time, you should purge any control subvolumes that are old and no longer being used to ensure that ASAP monitors only current RDF environments.

Monitoring Specific RDF Environments

If you only want to monitor specific RDF environments, you can override the auto-detection by explicitly specifying the RDF environments for which you want the SGPs to collect stats. The ASAP CI command is:

```
MONITOR RDF csv-bksys
```

Where *csv* is the RDF control subvolume of the RDF environment and *bksys* is the backup system name. There are no backslash characters in either field.

For example, this command would result in the RDF SGP only gathering stats from the RDF environment running from `\DOME` to `\TANDA`.

MONITOR RDF DOME->TANDA

This command uses DOME as the CSV. To use a control subvolume with a suffix, say E, one should use the command:

MONITOR RDF DOME-E->TANDA

where,

DOME-E is the control subvolume and TANDA is the RDF Backup System without '\'.

Adding and Removing RDF Environments

The RDF SGP performs the auto detection and processing of the RDF environments added through the MONITOR command when the process starts. If RDF environments are added or removed while the RDF SGP is running, ASAP does not monitor them until the next time the RDF SGP is stopped and restarted.

Version Compatibility

The RDF SGP supplied with each version of RDF/IMP(X) only runs with that version of RDF. All RDF/IMP(X) environments on a given system must match the version of the RDF SGP.

RDF Metrics Reported by ASAP

For each RDF entity, the RDF SGP passes the information shown in Table E-1 back to ASAP.

Table E-1 RDF Metrics Reported by ASAP

Information Passed to ASAP	Monitor	Extractor	Receiver	Imagetrail	Purger	RDFNET	Updater
Name	X	X	X	X	X	X ¹	X
Operational Status:							
“Running”	X	X	X	X	X	X ¹	X
“Error”	—	—	X	—	—	—	X
“Stopped”	X	X	X	X	X	X ¹	X
“Aborted”	X	X	X	X	X	X ¹	X
“Updt off”	—	—	—	—	—	—	X
“TKOV complete”	X	X	X	X	X	X ¹	X
“TKOV part complete”	X	X	X	X	X	X ¹	X
“TKOV active”	X	X	X	X	X	X ¹	X
Error	X	X	X	X	X	X ¹	X
Pin	X	X	X	—	X	X ¹	X
Primary Volume	—	—	—	—	—	—	X
Backup Volume	—	—	—	—	—	—	X
Volume	X	X	X ²	X	—	—	X

Table E-1 RDF Metrics Reported by ASAP *(continued)*

Information Passed to ASAP	Monitor	Extractor	Receiver	Imagetrail	Purger	RDFNET	Updater
TMF Auxiliary Audit Index	—	X	X	X	—	—	X
File Sequence Number	X	X	X	—	—	—	X
Relative Byte Address	—	X	—	—	—	—	X
RTD Time	X	X	X	—	—	—	X
Primary CPU	X	X	X	—	X	X ¹	X
Backup CPU	X	X	X	—	X	X ¹	X
Priority	X	X	X	—	X	X ¹	X

1 Only in an RDF Network environment

2 Only reported by the master receiver where the master image trail (MIT) volume is reported

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