

An Introduction to IMS Database

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Information Management System (IMS)

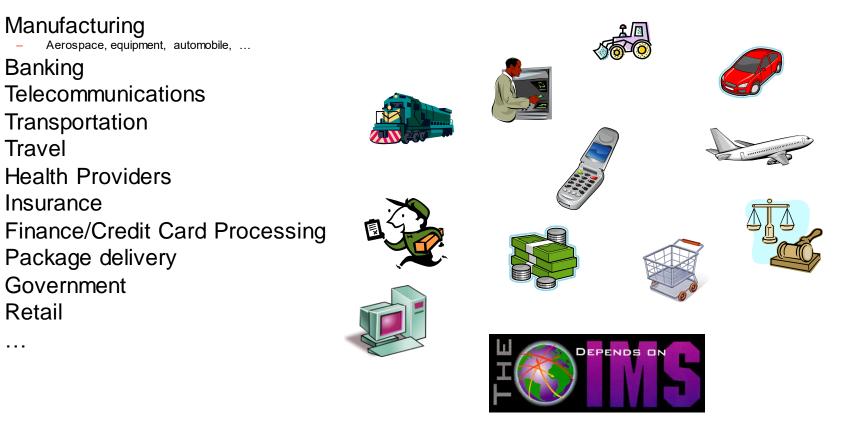
..... Somewhere Beyond the moon → originally created for the NASA Apollo Project to put a man on the moon







Where IMS Runs the World



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IMS Architecture

- Multiple region online system
 - Applications run in their own regions
 - Also called partitions, address spaces, dependent regions...
- Database management (IMS DB component)
 - Separated from application programming
 - IMS realized that moving the definitions out of the program would have substantial benefits when many programs (not just IMS application programs) could access the same database independently
- Transaction management (IMS TM component)
 - Separated from application programming
 - The sending and receiving of input and output messages was removed from programs
 - Allows the same program to access the message regardless of what type of device was used to send in the message
 - IMS's message queues were critical to its initial design



Compatibility

- Application compatibility
 - Programs written in 1968 (1964) still work
 - IMS does not require recompiles of applications for new IMS releases
- Database compatibility
 - Databases do not require upgrades for new IMS releases
- Program is independent of database is independent of access method
- IMS has allowed users to grow their applications instead of requiring major conversions. e.g. recompiles or rewrite

Adaptability

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- And yet IMS also keeps up with technological trends
 - Provides a TCP/IP socket server IMS Connect
 - For access to IMS transactions and databases
 - Allows IMS applications to be either clients or servers
 - Delivers adapters that run in JEE, SOAP, etc. environments
 - Pluggable components that provide easy interfaces to IMS resources
 - Supports Java type-2 and type-4 universal drivers for access to IMS DB
 - Leverages zOS Connect for API rapid deployments
- Provides application programming interfaces
 - Unique to IMS
 - DL/I calls to access IMS resources: message queues and data
 - IMS applications can be written in: COBOL, PL/I, Assembler, C/C++, Pascal, ADA, REXX, Java
 - Portable Java classes and JDBC



Programming Interface

- Database definitions outside of programs
 - DBDs
 - Defines the database structure
 - PSBs
 - Views of segments within databases
 - Access definitions (get, insert, delete, replace)
- Programs
 - DL/I calls used for database access
 - Program not aware of data sets and physical characteristics of data
- DL/I calls used for input/output messages
 - Program independent of communication protocols
 - IMS applications get messages from a queue, process them, and insert them back to the queue



And ...

- That is why IMS continues to be current
 - Application programs that were written for IMS 40... years ago can continue to run today

5, 10, 15, 20,

- Even when they are now invoked from the web
 - Or continue to be invoked from older 3270 devices or emulators
 - The <u>same</u> application, without change, can be accessed from any type of connection mechanism or network that can access IMS in a modernized infrastructure
- The IMS architecture allows communication components and even database components to be exchanged or replaced
 Without affecting the application program in IMS



What New Users of IMS Need to Understand

- IMS Databases
- IMS Online Systems and Transaction Management
- IMS Connect
- Application Programming
- IMS in a Parallel Sysplex[®]





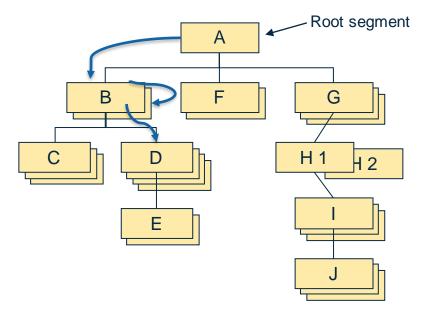






IMS Database Structure

• IMS databases are hierarchical (and Relational)



Tree structure

- Segments have parents and children
- Segments are accessed through their parents
- Parents and Children are related D is accessed through A and B
- Segments have twins
 - Multiple B segments under one A segment
 - Twins are related
- H2 is accessed via H1
- Segment pointers are updated at the same time the segment is updated

A segment type (e.g. A, B, or C) is similar to a relational table. A segment occurrence, one of the segments, is similar to a row in a relational table. An IMS database is similar to several tables which are joined.



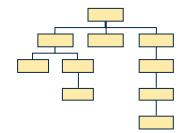
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IMS Database Structure ...

- Full Function database types
 - Hierarchical indexed direct (HIDAM)
 - Partitioned HIDAM (PHIDAM)
 - Generalized Sequential (GSAM)
 - Hierarchical indexed sequential (HISAM)*
 - Hierarchical Sequential (HSAM) *
 - Hierarchical direct (HDAM)
 - Partitioned HDAM (PHDAM)
- * Simple version available
- Fast Path database types
 - Data Entry Database (DEDB)
 - Main Storage Database (MSDB)
 - MSDBs are root-only and stored & accessed only in memory

Structure is chosen based on what makes most sense for access patterns, e.g., sequential versus random



Indexed databases

- HIDAM, PHIDAM, HISAM
- Roots are ordered in key sequence

Non-indexed databases

- HDAM, PHDAM, DEDB
- Randomization routines are used to order roots



• GSAM

Usage Characteristics	
Insert sequentially - time order	Segment Delete unavailable

No specific structure Used for IMS BMP and Batch jobs requiring restartability



• HSAM

Usage Characteristics	Not available
Insert in key sequence	Secondary Indexing
	Logical relationships
	Variable length segments
Update not available	DLET or REPL call

Used for low volume processing e.g. data archival



• HISAM

Usage Characteristics	
Same size records	
Complete physical record fits into logical defined record	
Few Deletes or Inserts	Delete / Insert Available
Root Delete	Space is reclaimed in primary area, not reclaimed in overflow
Dependent Segment	Marked deleted, Space not available

Database reorganization required to reclaim physical space



HDAM PHDAM

_	Usage Characteristics	
	Segments are stored unordered	Position based on key randomization
	Segment relationships via pointers	Dependents may be in separate blocks
	Delete removes segment	Space is reclaimed

High activity – multiple users Speedy segment retrieval and update



HIDAM PHIDAM

Usage Characteristics	
Two DBDs required – HIDAM	1 = Index 2 = Data area
Root Segments are sequentially ordered	Index may be processed separately
Segment relationships via pointers	Dependents may be in separate blocks
Delete removes segment	Space is reclaimed

High activity – Multiple users Speedy segment retrieval and update Fast sequential processing



MSDB

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Usage Characteristics	
Root Only	Terminal or Non- Terminal related
Root Segments are sequentially inserted	Index may be processed separately
Segment relationships via pointers	Forward pointers only
Delete & Insert calls maybe	If non-Terminal related
DLI calls	Within parent not accepted
Changes only made at IMS restart	MSDBLOAD parameter

High activity – Limited users Speedy segment retrieval and update Direct and Binary search

Sequential calls may provide unexpected results © 2022 IBM Corporation

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• DEDB

Usage Characteristics	
Sequential Dependents	Rapid insert time of insert e.g. journaling
Direct Dependents	Hierarchical structure
Replace calls	May result in moved segments
Delete removes segment	Space is reclaimed

Combination of both Direct and Sequential processes Multiple Areas allow large amount of data in a structure Online Changes allowed

Large Database Sizes

- HALDB (PHDAM and PHIDAM) and DEDB databases
 - Database is composed of multiple database data sets
 - HALDB (High Availability Large Database) calls these datasets partitions
 - DEDB calls these datasets areas
 - HALDB may have up to 1001 partitions
 - Each partition may have up to 10 4GB data sets
 - Over 40 terabytes
 - In IMS 14 and later the OSAM data sets may be up to 8GB
 - Over 80 terabytes
 - DEDBs may have up to 9999 areas
 - Each area has one data set up to 4GB
 - Over 40 terabytes

Application programs are unaware of the partitions or areas

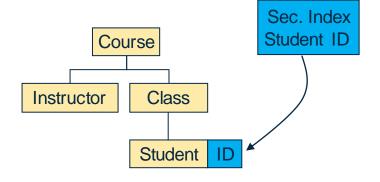
The end user accesses their data regardless of position or residence





Secondary Indexes

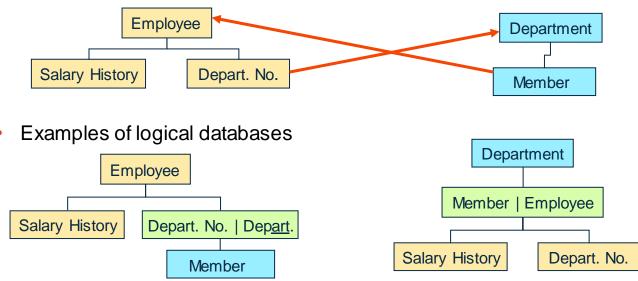
- IMS databases may also have Secondary indexes
 - Indexes are based on different fields in any segment
 - Example:
 - Secondary index into course database based on student ID
 - One could find all the classes in which a student is enrolled





Logical Relationships

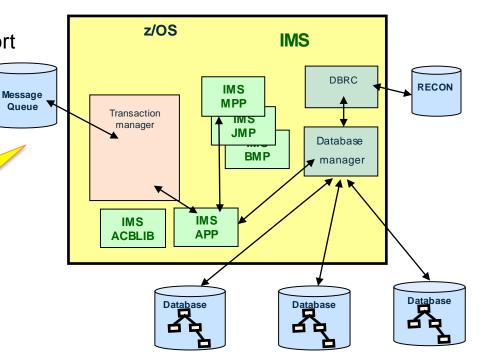
- Full Function database may have logical relationships
 - Logical databases are formed from multiple physical DBs
 - Example:
 - Logical relationship between employee and department DBs





Accessing IMS Databases

- Multiple dependent regions
 - Non-serial database access
 - Multiple programming language support
- Full database integrity
 - Processes logging for audit and recovery
 - DBRC for access authorization
- Application independence from Data management & access

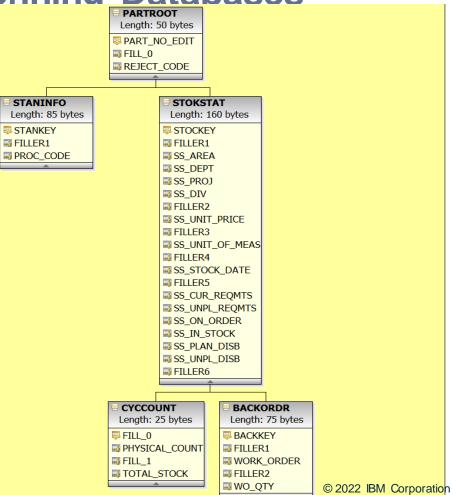




- Database Definition DBD
 - Database definition is used to define:
 - Database type
 - Dataset type
 - Number of Segments
 - Hierarchical relationship of the segments
 - Fields within a Segment
 - Key fields
 - Data types of the fields
 - Logical relationships within or outside of the database
 - Indexing

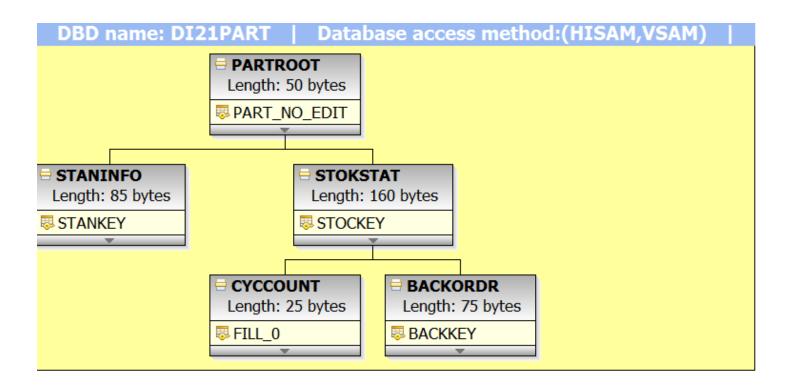
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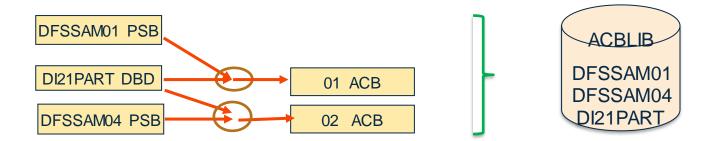
Defining Programs

Program Specification Block - PSB

- Program Specification is used to define Program Control Blocks PCB:
- Program Control Blocks define
 - Database(s) to be accessed
 - Processing options to access it with
 - Get, Insert, Delete, Replace
 - Segments the program is aware of
 - Fields within the segment the program is aware of
 - Program view of the accessed database(s)

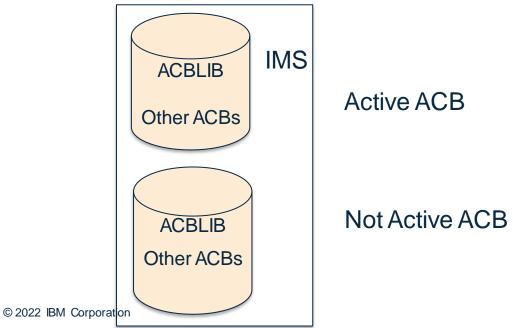
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- DataBase generation DBD
- Program Specification Block generation PSB
- Application Control Block ACB
 - Connects DBDs and PSBs
 - A PSB may access multiple databases
 - Multiple PSBS may access the same database
 - Application changes or additions may be implemented without an IMS restart.
 - Affected resources may need to be quiesced for control block updates
 - Online Change



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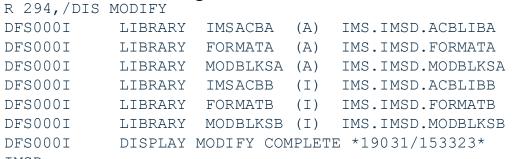






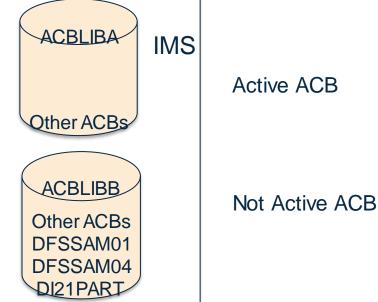
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Online Change



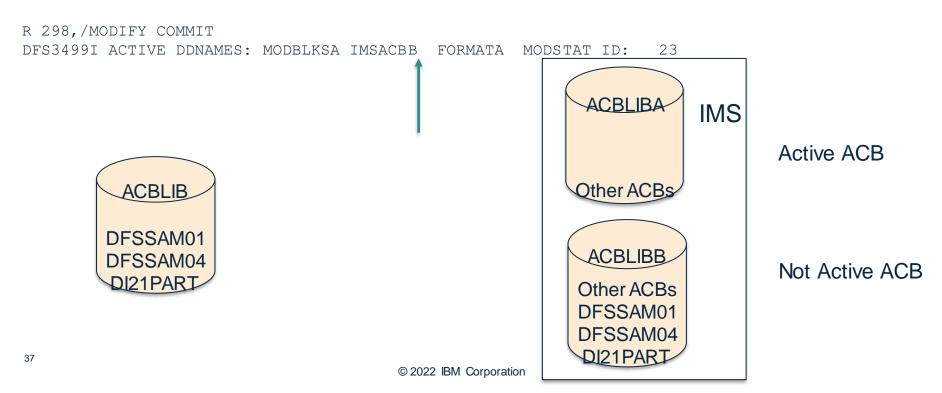
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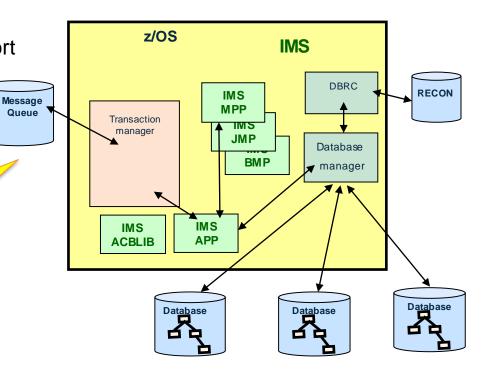
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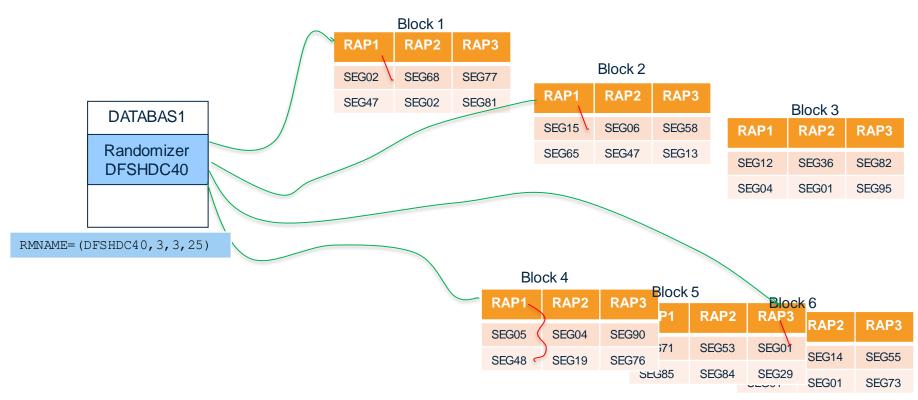
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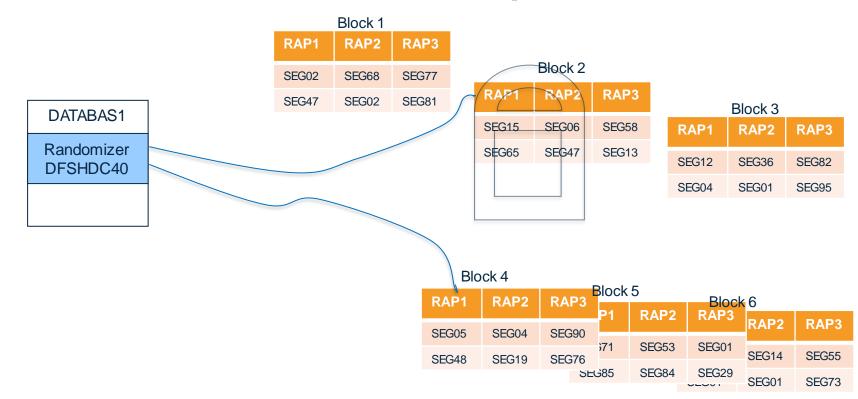


HDAM Database Randomization - Insert





Database Randomization - Lookup





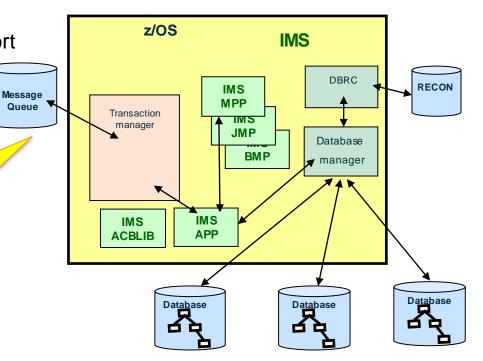
HIDAM Database - Access

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Database Access

- All IMS Database access is though a standard programming interface
 - DL/1 using DLI
 - Data Language 1 through the Data Language Interface
 - AIBTDLI Application Interface REXX, Java using PCB labels
 - ASMTDLI Assembler programs
 - CTDLI C programs
 - CEETDLI C programs using PCB labels
 - CBLTDLI COBOL programs
 - PASTDLI Pascal programs
 - PLITDLI PL/1 programs



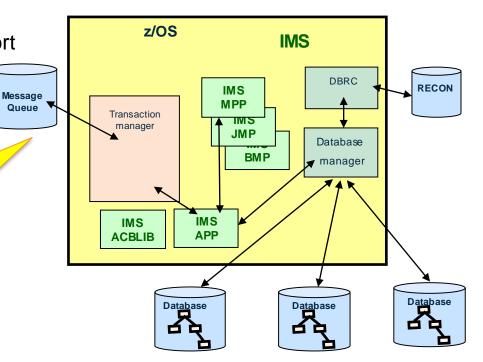
Database Access

- DL/1 call
 - CALL CBLTDLI USING GU dbpcb i/oarea argument
 - Translates to:
 - LLZZtrancode 'search argument' landing on the Message Queue.
 - IMS sees 'trancode' and finds the SMB matching that
 - Loads the application program to run into a dependent region
 - Passes the input message to the program



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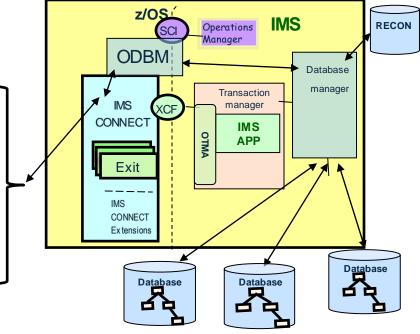
Open Database Manager Access - ODBM

- Implemented with Common Service Layer
- Allows database access outside of dependent region
 - IMS Universal Database resource adapter (DRDA)

Client

Application

- Open Database Access interface (ODBA)
- IMS Universal JDBC driver
- IMS Universal DL/I driver
- ODBM CSLDMI interface
- Security & Access through IMS Connect



Universal DL

JDBC Driver

ODBM DLI

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Operations

Manager

Access

- Multiple connections to single IMS for multiple users
 - Database access independent of application
 - Multiple applications simultaneously in singular regions
 - Application only access defined / authorized database
- Multiple connections to multiple IMS regions
- Database Database physically separate manager Transaction Universal DL IMS manager Application physically separate CONNECT OTMA IMS JDBC Driver Multiple regions / databases APP comp 1 Exit Since IMS V1 Transaction ODBM DLI manage OTMA MS. IMS VebSphere CONNECT APP **Application** Ex tensions comp 2 Server WAS Database Company 1 Client SI DMI Database Database Company 2 Application Message **Client Application** Queue Comp 2 DB 47 Comp 1 DB © 2022 IBM Corporation

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ODBM

SCI



Comp 2 DB

Comp1 DB

Open Database Manager Access - ODBM

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Value of Hierarchical Structures

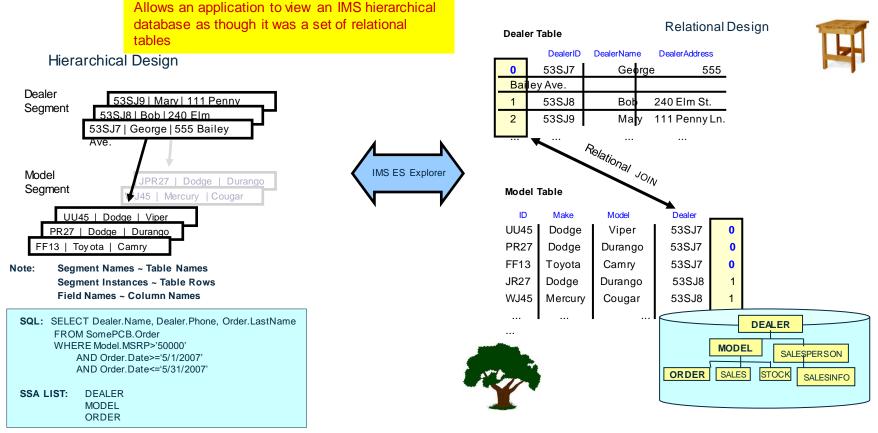
- Performance
 - Efficient navigation
 - Parent/child relationships are implemented with pointers from one data record to another
 - Also true for the sideways relationships from child to child and parent to parent (twins)
 - Therefore
 - After finding the first record, the program does not have to search an index (or do a table scan) to find the next record
 - Application simply needs to follow one of the multiple child record pointers, the single sibling record pointer, or the single parent record pointer to get to the "next" record.
 - Effective Pre-defined structures
- Ease of understanding
 - DB organization is similar to that of a corporate organization chart or family tree
 - A familiar concept to many
 - Moreover, it easily depicts relationships where B is a part of A
 - (as was the case with the order database we discussed, where each item or segment is a part of an order).



And Yet

- Understanding that the world has moved towards the relational view of databases and SQL to access them
 - IMS also provides the ability to view the hierarchical database structure in a relational way
 - The IMS Enterprise Suite Explorer
 - Creates an SQL View of the Hierarchical database
 - » Metadata mapping from the IMS Catalog
 - And a set of java universal drivers that interpret the calls made by java programs
 - Local to z/OS
 - From remote environments

Support for the IMS Universal Drivers: map Hierarchical to Relation





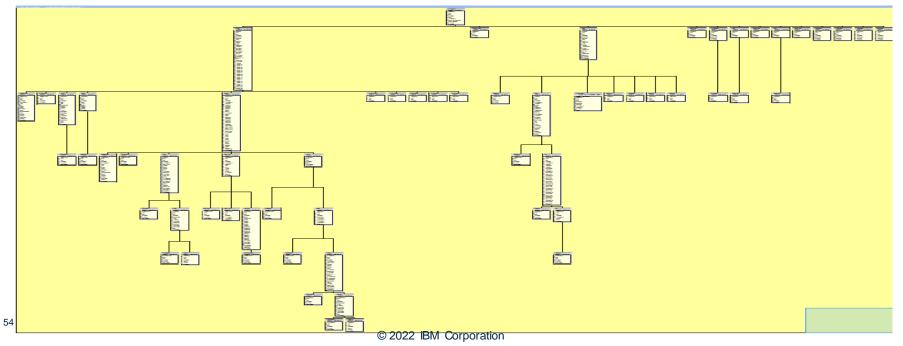
- Database Considerations
 - Traditional database definitions
 - A segment total length
 - A defined Key / Sequence field
 - The remainder is defined as 'space'
 - Relies on the application program to map the 'space' using copy books
 - Relational views of traditional IMS databases using SQL or JDBC
 - Require search fields to be defined in the meta data
 - IMS meta data is stored in the IMS Catalog
 - Adding meta data to the Catalog
 - Hand key all identified fields into the DBD source
 - Regenerate the DBD, the ACB and
 - Online Change to activate
 - Use IMS 14 with the IMS Explorer for Development to create DDL
 - Send DDL directly to the IMS Catalog
 - IMPORT DEFN SOURCE (CATALOG) to activate (TYPE 2 Command)



- IMS 12 added an IMS Catalog
 - IMS meta data
 - Single source of Trusted repository of meta data
 - Loaded and updated from IMS ACBLIB
 - Data about data
 - HALDB
 - Structure
 - DBRC registered
 - Four dataset groups
 - Single partition
 - Database maintenance procedures apply
 - Image Copy
 - Reorganization
 - Recovery



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 - IMS control block meta data
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SQL calls to IMS databases

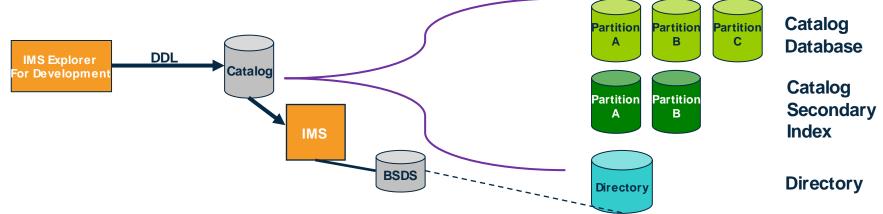
- IMS 13 added direct SQL access using COBOL 5.1 or later
 - Builds upon the catalog trusted meta data
 - Allows a COBOL application program to make SQL calls to access IMS hierarchical databases
 - Most SQL calls are supported

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IMS 14 adds more SQL support Catalog Partition Partitior Partitior В С Α Database **IMS** Explorer Catalog Catalog For Development Partition Partition Secondary В Α Index **ACBs** IMS

IMS Managed ACBs and DDL

- IMS 14 added IMS Managed ACBs
 - Allows direct update to an IMS Catalog using Universal Drivers
 - Data Definition Language may be used for updating
 - Allows IMS to Managed its own ACBs
 - IMS Control blocks are loaded from the Catalog
 - Proprietary DBD, PSB and ACB generations are no longer needed
 - Industry standards for IMS resource and schema definitions



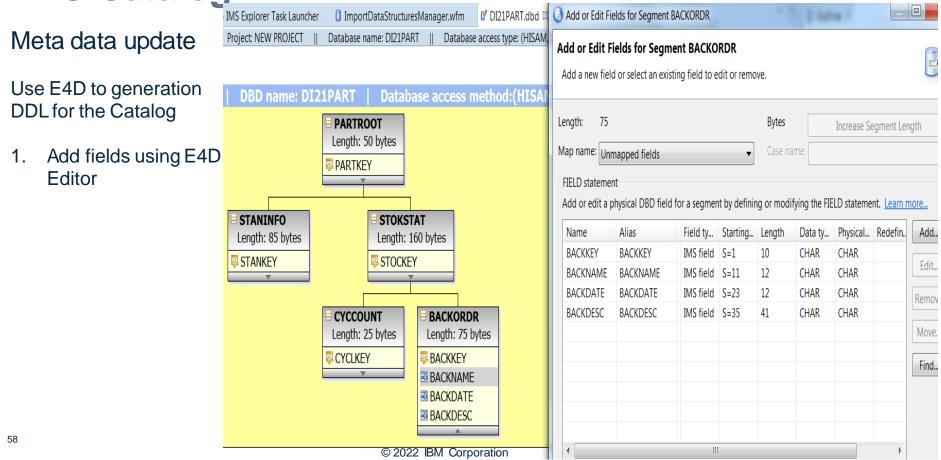
Defining Databases

Meta data update

- 1. Add fields needed to the DBD source to regen
- 2. FTP Source to DBD
- 3. Generate the DBD
- 4. Generate the ACB
- 5. Online Change

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		START=18,	x
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Meta data update Use E4D to generation DDL for the Catalog

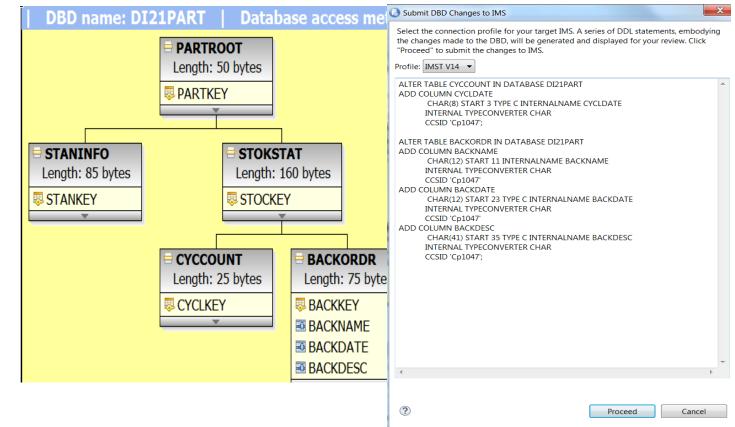
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₽.	Import COBOL or PL/I Data Structures	
₽	Submit Changes to IMS	
6/	Edit Database Attributes	
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	Collapse All	
民	Reset Layout	
	Show Properties	
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E.	Save As	
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Meta data update

Use E4D to generation DDL for the Catalog

- 2. Generate ALTER DDL statements
- 3. Submit to Catalog
- 4. Import definitions





Summary

- IMS is a database manager
 - Hierarchical databases
 - High Available and large database
 - May be accessed from IMS TM, CICS, WAS, Db2 SP, distributed, any platform
- IMS is a transaction manager
 - Multi-address space architecture
 - Processes messages
 - Schedules and manages programs
 - May be accessed via VTAM, TCP/IP, MQ, ...
 - May be accessed from any platform
 - Accesses IMS and DB2 databases



Reference Information

- More information
 - IMS home page
 - www.ibm.com/ims
 - IMS Primer SG24-5352
 - Available at <u>www.ibm.com/redbooks</u>
 - An Introduction to IMS
 - Available on Amazon.com, textbookx.com, ibmpressbooks.com, etc.