

Continuous Availability and Disaster Recovery for Linux on IBM Z with GDPS

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Agenda:

What is GDPS? GDPS Family HyperSwap with GDPS GDPS and Linux on Z Linux on Z guest under z/VM Requirements, Set up, Configuration Native Linux on Z KVM support GDPS Virtual Appliance GDPS GUI panels / demo



Global Continuous Availability & Disaster Recovery Offering for IBM z Systems – 20 years and still going strong

Manage & Automate

Solutions



First GDPS installation 1998, now more than 900 in 49 countries



Multiple GDPS products meeting various requirements for Local/Metro/Remote CA with out-of-region DR

Continuous Availability and entry- level Disaster Recovery	Continuous Availability with DR within Metropolitan Region	Disaster Recovery Extended Distance	CA Regionally and Disaster Recovery Extended Distance	CA, DR, & Cross- site Workload Balancing Extended Distance
GDPS Metro HM RPO=0 [RTO secs] for disk only	GDPS Metro GDPS Virtual Appliance RPO=0 RTO mins / RTO<1h	GDPS Global RPO secs, RTO<1h	GDPS Metro Global RPO=0,RTO mins/<1h &RPO secs, RTO<1h	GDPS CA RPO secs, RTO secs
Single Data Center (one or two sites) Applications remain active Continuous access to data in the event of a storage outage	Two Data Centers (2 server sites, 2 or 3 disk locations) Systems remain active Multi-site workloads can withstand site and/or storage failures	<i>Two Data Centers</i> Rapid Systems DR with "seconds" of data loss Disaster Recovery for out of region interruptions	Two/Three/Four Data Centers High availability for site disasters Disaster recovery for regional disasters	<i>Two or more Active Data Centers</i> Automatic workload switch in seconds; seconds of data loss

Recovery Time Objective (RTO) is the time needed to recover from a disaster or how long the business can survive without the systems. Recovery Point Objective (RPO) defines the amount of data that you can afford to recreate during a recovery, by determining the most recent point in time for data recovery.

GDPS Metro (formerly GDPS/PPRC) for two sites – Metropolitan distance continuous availability (CA) and disaster recovery (DR) solution

Continuous Availability / Disaster Recovery within a Metropolitan Region Two Data Centers

Systems remain active

Multi-site workloads can withstand site and/or storage failures



- Provides Server/LPAR management
- Simplifies and streamlines data replication management
- Manages remote copy environment using HyperSwap function and keeps data available for operating systems and applications
- Facilitates faster recovery time for planned and unplanned outages
- Ensures successful recovery via automated processes
- Enhances data consistency across all secondary volumes for both System z and distributed systems
- Enables high availability and DR for Linux on z environments
- Leverages Distributed Cluster Management (DCM) to interface with distributed environments to provide an enterprise-level disaster recovery solution
- Combines with GDPS Global to provide a three/four-site solution for higher availability and disaster recovery





Metro Mirror (PPRC) Operation





HyperSwap – the Technology



UCB = Unit Control Block

- Extends System availability to disk subsystems
- Substitutes Metro Mirror (PPRC) secondary for primary device
 - Automatic No operator interaction
 - Fast Can swap large number of devices → User Impact Time (UIT) 5-10 seconds
 - Non-disruptive applications keep running
- Triggered by a primary disk failure
- Disk no longer a single point of failure

Comprehensive application and data availability solution



HyperSwap Phases





- 1. Freeze ensure data consistency
- 2. Quiesce suspend the disks I/O is queued
- 3. Swap to secondary disks + leave mirroring terminated or suspended or resynch, according to policy and planned/unplanned case
- 4. Resume disk I/O



GDPS xDR: Linux guest & native Linux on Z Production nodes Proxy nodes Linux SA MP SA MP SA MP Linux Linux Linux Node Node Node Backup Master Node Node site-2 site-1 **GDPS** z/VM Linux GDPS Linux z/VM **K1** CKD CKD CKD / (FBA) Ρ Ρ S S S Ρ **GDPS-managed PPRC**

- Management of all disks --> control mirroring
- Management of all LPARs → start/stop...
- Coordinated HyperSwap z/OS, z/VM with its guests, and native Linux
- Graceful shutdown and startup (re-IPL in place) of Linux clusters or nodes
- zVM SSI Live Guest relocation
- Graceful shutdown of z/VM
- Coordinated takeover in unplanned cases e.g. recovery from a node failure
- Coordinated takeover in planned cases for e.g. maintenance

Coordinated recovery for planned and unplanned events

xDR Expands the Scope of GDPS to:

- Include one or more z/VM systems.
 - Each z/VM system will require at least one Linux guest to act as a "proxy" for GDPS on the z/VM system.
 - This Linux proxy system must run System Automation for MultiPlatform (SA MP) for communications with the GDPS K-system(s).
 - SA MP is optional for other (non-proxy) guests, but would be required for:
 - Use of the GDPS AUTOIPL and AUTOGUESTIPL features.
 - GDPS system availability checking for the Linux guest system.
 - Automation of resources/services on the Linux guest system.
- Include one or more native Linux systems.
 - Each native Linux system must run SA MP.







xDR for Linux on z/VM



Supported Linux Distributions	Version of System Automation
SUSE SLES 11 + SLES 12	SA MP 4.1.0.4
Red Hat RHEL 6 + RHEL 7	SA MP 4.1.0.4

- Separately priced SA MP xDR feature is required
- Required VM Version
 - z/VM V6.4
 - Check GDPS PSP buckets for recommended maintenance
- Supported Disk Types
 - DASD ECKD

xDR on z/VM

- Proxy Guest(s)
 - At least one Linux system is configured as Proxy for GDPS which has special configuration (Memory locked, Access rights to VM, Separate Cluster...). Two recommended for high availability
 - erpdmaster resource denotes Proxy Master guest role
 - Heartbeat for system availability check
 - erpd sends system information and reports disk errors to GDPS
 cmdreceiver to process commands from GDPS
- Production Nodes
 - Heartbeat from master node for system availability check
 - erpd sends system information
- The command interface to VM CP is vmcp
- The interface to retrieve disk errors from VM is vmlogrdr (Linux device)







xDR – restrictions Linux on z/VM

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- HyperSwap is not supported in second level z/VM systems.
- Reserve/Release is only supported for minidisks and full pack minidisks defined with virtual reserve/release. Reserve/Release on dedicated disks will not be propagated during HyperSwap. Therefore, dedicated disks may only be used if you are positive that no Reserve/Release will be issued to these disks.
- Only DASD ECKD disks are supported (no SCSI disks)
- If two disks are shared by multiple VM systems, all systems must participate in xDR (to keep HyperSwap processing consistent)
- All guests belonging to one SA MP Cluster must be on the same VM system
- If GDPS is unable to communicate with all proxy guests on a VM system, it will disable planned HyperSwap across the whole GDPS.
- If a system is not enabled for HyperSwap, it is reset in case of an unplanned HyperSwap
- If a system is not responding in time to quiesce or swap command, it is reset in case of an unplanned HyperSwap



xDR – requirements for proxy guest



- Memory is locked
- Proxy guest disks not mirrored
- Network connectivity through directly attached dedicated OSA devices
- ...other z/VM setup requirements
- → Only purpose of this guest is communication with GDPS no other applications running on that guest

xDR – set up proxy guest RHEL or SLES

- Lock memory with startup:
 - vmcp lock lnxprox1 0 1ffff REAL
- Create two-node SA MP proxy cluster one node using disks in site 1, second node using disks in site 2:
 - preprpnode Inxprox2
 - mkrpdomain proxydomain Inxprox1 Inxprox2
 - startrpdomain proxydomain
- Customize event sending to GDPS:
 - ServerLocation=10.48.163.7
 - ServerPort=5529
- Configure and start xDR proxy processes cmdreceiver and heartbeat
 - copy service file from sample
 - systemctl enable cmdreceiver
 - systemctl start cmdreceiver
- Create SA MP resource for error reporting daemon:
 - run script enableErpd





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xDR – set up proxy guest RHEL or SLES

Run xDR configuration verification program to verify set up is correct:

vmproxy61:~ # xdrverifycfg

Starting xDR configuration verification @(#)67 1.10 src/sam/xdr/sles9/xdr_healthcheck.c, charm.xdr, sam_rsa41svc, rsa41svcs003e Version: @(#)65 1.158 src/sam/xdr/common/xdr_hcutils.c, charm.xdr, sam_rsa41svc 1/30/18 12:15:06 SAMX0035W There are mixed versions of RSCT active in the cluster SAMX0101E Insufficient authority to execute control command START SAMX0101E Insufficient authority to execute control command DRAIN SAMX0101E Insufficient authority to execute control command DRAIN SAMX0101E Insufficient authority to execute control command SET DUMP SAMX0004E The memory of the xDR proxy is not completely locked. Total memory: 512MB. Pages that must be locked: 0 - 1FFFF SAMX0136W Crashkernel is used and can prevent locking of memory xDR healthcheck detected errors.

• Read message explanation and try to fix problem:

vmproxy61:~ # xdrhelpmsg SAMX0004E

SAMX0004E

SAMX0004E The memory of the xDR proxy is not completely locked. Total memory: <total size>. Pages that must be locked: 0 - cpage number>

Explanation:

If not all memory pages of the xDR proxy are locked HyperSwap execution may fail. The memory must be permanently locked on all proxy nodes.

Operator Response:

Add the LOCK command to the boot.local or rc.local file on all proxy nodes. Ensure that the correct SA MP policy is active by issuing the command enableErpd on one proxy node.

• Verify if problem is fixed:

vmproxy62:~ # xdrverifycfg

Starting xDR configuration verification @(#)67 1.10 src/sam/xdr/sles9/xdr_healthcheck.c, charm.xdr, sam_rsa41svc, rsa41svcs003e Version: @(#)65 1.158 src/sam/xdr/common/xdr_hcutils.c, charm.xdr, sam_rsa41svc 1/30/18 12:15:06 xDR healthcheck_passed successfully







xDR – set up in GDPS

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• Add mirrored disks to GDPS GEOPARM – disk configuration

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GEOPLEX LINKS

SITE1='001D,001E,Y,NF,02300231'

SITE2='001E,001D,Y,NF,02310230'

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GEOPLEX MIRROR

PPRCSSID='001D,001E'

* site 1 disks 5E35, 5E37, 5E18, 5E19, 5E1A, 5E1B

* site 2 disks 5D01, 5D02, 5D03, 5D04, 5D05, 5D06

PPRC='5E35,5D01,01,N'

PPRC='5E37,5D02,01,N'

PPRC='5E18,5D03,04,N'

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GEOPLEX NONSHARE

NONSHARE='5E13,LSS=E0'

NONSHARE='5D00,LSS=D0'
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• Define systems in policy - CPC-name + LPAR-name

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SITE2	'(S=ZOS1/KIS1.ZO	DS1///YN),SIT	É 2'				
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 $[\]rightarrow$ LSS E0, SSID 001D – I/O port 0230



xDR – set up in GDPS

• Define GDPS scripts for planned scenarios e.g.: planned failover of disks to site 2

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• Add entries in GDPS load table for z/VM system:

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	NURIHL	ST1E2	VI104	6813	FNSTTEZ		

 Installation verification program available – GDPSIVHP – checking GDPS set up and communication with all proxy systems



xDR for native Linux in LPAR



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- Separately priced SA MP xDR feature is required
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 - DASD ECKD
 - FB disk restricted for HyperSwap

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xDR support for KVM

- Support for SLES12 and Ubuntu as KVM hypervisor
- Planned site switch (graceful shutdown, swap disks and start-up on other site) for maintenance scenarios
- Unplanned takeover
- Heartbeat for system availability checking
- Command Interface for Re-IPL, Start/Stop System, start/stop maintenance
- Graceful shutdown guests + hypervisor
- KVM system disks controlled by GDPS PPRC mirroring
- Freeze support
- HyperSwap only disruptive KVM system is reset
- No SA MP needed







GDPS Virtual Appliance for Linux on Z

- Fully integrated software solution
- Provides Continuous Availability & Disaster Recovery functions for Linux on Z guests of z/VM
 - Intended for clients that do not have z/OS in their environments
- Appliance image comprised of
 - Operating system $\rightarrow z/OS$
 - Application components
 - Appliance management layer which makes the image self-containing
 - APIs / UIs for customization, administration, and operation tailored to the appliance function
- Extends GDPS capabilities into z/VM and Linux on Z clients that do not have z/OS in their environments
 - Improves both usability and time-to-value for customers.

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GDPS Virtual Appliance for Linux on Z

- Provides following functions for Linux on Z:
 - Coordinated planned and unplanned HyperSwap
 - Freeze support
 - Coordinated takeover in unplanned cases e.g. recovery from a node failure
 - Coordinated takeover in planned cases for e.g. maintenance
 - Live Guest relocation with z/VM SSI
 - Management of all disks —-> control mirroring
 - Management of all LPARs \rightarrow start/stop...
 - Graceful shutdown and start up





GDPS Virtual Appliance requirements



- Runs the GDPS control code to manage the environment and coordinate HyperSwap
- Requires:
 - 1 dedicated General Purpose engine: CP (can not run on IFL)
 - 2 GB Central Storage
 - 4 3390 volumes:
 - ✓ 1 mod 9 + 3 mod 54
 - ✓ Fixed addresses 2030-2033
- Access to all PPRC volumes (primary and secondary)



GDPS Virtual Appliance initial installation



- 1. Project kick off and technical training
- 2. Setup GDPS Virtual Appliance LPAR
- Define/Install Deployment Manager on Linux on IBM z Systems[®] as a guest or native in LPAR
- 3. Copy appliance image to disk accessible by Deployment Manager
- 4. Implement and customize xDR on Managed z/VM systems
- Specify customer specific values in configuration file e.g. IP address, gateway
- 6. Run Deployment Manager to patch + copy appliance image to one of its RES volumes
- 7. IPL LPAR from Appliance Disk
- 8. Complete customization of GDPS Appliance environment and policy including system, processor, mirroring configuration, and script definitions

Time to deploy: hours vs. days



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References





SHB Stockholm, Sweden GDPS/PPRC xDR – MSW [Finance]



6-way zOS Parallel Sysplex (IMS, DB2, WAS) & 2 zVM Clusters (30 Linux Guests)



PRIMARYFAILURE = SWAP,STOP PPRCFAILURE = COND

Business requirements

- No data loss (RPO 0 sec)
- Continuous data availability for z/OS and Linux guests hosted by z/VM
- Supporting site maintenance without application outage
- Coordinated D/R for heterogeneous
 System z applications (RTO < 2 hr)

Web site: www.handelsbanken.se

Linux RHEL 5.8, SA MP 3.2.2.7 Perceived benefits

- DR site failure simulation every 6 months
- Avoiding outages due to single component failures or compound failure events

PPRC Volume Pairs	Logical Subsystems (LSS)	Planned HS Resynch UIT	Planned HS Suspend UIT	Unplanned HyperSwap UIT	
2,295 (114TB)	29	8-12 sec	6-10 sec	5-7 sec	
UIT = User Ir	mpact Time (seco	onds)		6/2014	



RBS Edinburgh, UK [Finance] GDPS/PPRC – SSW



20-way Parallel Sysplex/GDPS (CICS, DB2)



Business requirements

- RPO 0 sec (no data loss)
- RTO < 2 hours (failover time in the event of catastropic systems or data center failure – loss of site-1)
- Recover all 20 systems to site-2, from frozen secondary disks

Perceived benefits

- Test DR scenario twice a year, site swap for 24 hrs with planned HyperSwap
- Our Business users know we have a proven DR site

PPRC Volume Pairs	Logical Subsystems (LSS)	Unplanned HyperSwap UIT	Site Switch duration (hours)
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New GDPS UI





GDPS GUI – main window



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GDPS GUI – PPRC configuration



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GDPS GUI – PPRC operation - LSS G Providing w IBM. GDPS PPRC DRADMN2 * Actions -Help LSS Pairs × Dashboard Lss pairs : 2 Total pairs : 469 H 🗹 2.0K 0 Warning 0 Error 🧬 Actions 🔻 🍫 Refresh 🔗 Number 💌 Filter Clear filter Select all Status Site 1 Site 2 % Copied Freeze Utility 1 Utility 2 Number Links Critical/Protocol BE00 B DE00 🖲 deef 230 **(1)** v NF BEEF BF00 B DF00 **V (**1) BFEF DFEF 239 Y NF ΰÖ Total :2 (no filter applied) Selected : 0 Last update: 2015/03/23 13:17:34 Health overview SDF Alerts WTORs 8 🔕 12 **i** 0 HyperSwap: ▲ Dasd mirroring : 🛛 17 6



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GDPS GUI – PPRC operation -devices

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GDPS GUI – guest management

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GDPS GUI – planned action - scripts

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GDPS GUI – alert monitoring





Within the seven tiers of disaster recovery, we classify IBM GDPS in the topmost tier.



One of the best data recovery practices involves blending tiers of solutions in order to optimize application coverage at a reduced cost. One size, technology or methodology may not fit all applications.

¹Pickup truck access method (PTAM) Note: More detail on this graph can be found at: <u>http://www.redbooks.ibm.com/abstracts/tips0057.html?Open</u>

Additional Information



Web sites:

GDPS www.ibm.com/systems/z/gdps

Parallel Sysplex www.ibm.com/systems/z/pso

Bus Resiliency z www.ibm.com/systems/z/resiliency

- Bus Resiliency www.ibm.com/systems/business_resiliency
- System z www.ibm.com/systems/z/hardware
- Storage www.ibm.com/systems/storage
- Redbooks®GDPS Family: An Introduction to Concepts and Capabilities <u>www.redbooks.ibm.com/abstracts/sg246374.html?Open</u>
- GDPS Web Site White Papers and Presentations
 - GDPS: The Ultimate e-business Availability Solution
 - IBM Implementation Services for GDPS/Global Mirror
 - GDPS Business Continuity Solutions
 - Consistency Groups in a Nutshell
 - DS8000[™] Data Replication
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