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Preface

Intended Audience

This document is for users who need to debug device drivers or other system code.

Structure of This Document

This document is composed of three major sections.

The Format Section is an overview of SDA and is intended as a quick reference guide. The format summary contains the DCL commands that invoke SDA, listing all qualifiers and parameters. The usage summary describes invoking and exiting from SDA, how to direct output, and any restrictions you should be aware of. The command summary lists all of the SDA commands.

The Description Section explains how to use SDA.

The Commands Section describes each of the SDA commands and the qualifiers and parameters used with each. The commands appear in alphabetical order.

Conventions Used in This Document

Convention	Meaning
<code>RET</code>	A symbol with a 1- to 3-character abbreviation indicates that you press a key on the terminal, for example, <code>RET</code> .
<code>ctrl x</code>	The phrase CTRL/x indicates that you must press the key labeled CTRL while you simultaneously press another key, for example, CTRL/C, CTRL/Y, CTRL/O.
<code>\$ SHOW TIME 05-JUN-1985 11:55:22</code>	The command examples show all output lines or prompting characters that the system prints or displays in black letters. All user-entered commands are shown in red letters.
<code>\$ TYPE MYFILE.DAT</code>	A vertical series of periods, or vertical ellipsis, means either that not all the data normally displayed by the system in response to the particular command is shown or that not all the data a user would enter is shown.
<code>file-spec,...</code>	A horizontal ellipsis indicates that additional parameters, values, or information can be entered.

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Convention	Meaning
[logical-name]	The square brackets indicate that the enclosed item is optional. (Square brackets are not, however, optional in the syntax of a directory name in a file specification or in the syntax of a substring specification in an assignment statement.)
quotation marks apostrophes	The term quotation marks refers refer to double quotation marks ("). The term apostrophe (') refers to a single quotation mark.

New and Changed Features

The following new commands have been added to the System Dump Analyzer:

- ATTACH
- SPAWN

Also, the following new qualifiers are available for the EVALUATE, EXAMINE, and SEARCH commands:

- EVALUATE /PSL
- EVALUATE /PTE
- EVALUATE /SYMBOLS
- EXAMINE /NOSUPPRESS
- EXAMINE /PTE
- SEARCH /LENGTH=length_specifier
- SEARCH /STEPS=step_factor

The ATTACH command allows you to switch control of your terminal to another process in your job. The /PARENT qualifier allows you to switch control of your terminal to the parent process of the current process.

The SPAWN command creates a subprocess from the current process. The context is copied from the current process to the spawned process.

The EVALUATE/PSL command evaluates the specified expression in the format of a processor status longword.

The EVALUATE/PTE command interprets and displays the expression as a page table entry (PTE). The individual fields of the PTE are separated and an overall description of the PTE's type is provided.

The EVALUATE/SYMBOLS command specifies that all symbols that are known to be equal to the evaluated expression are to be displayed.

The EXAMINE/NOSUPPRESS command inhibits the suppression of zeros when displaying memory with one of the following qualifiers: /ALL, /P0, /P1, /SYSTEM.

The SEARCH/LENGTH command specifies the size of the expression value to be used for successful matching during searches of memory. The possible values of this qualifier are: BYTE, WORD, and LONGWORD.

The SEARCH/STEPS command controls the granularity of searching through the specified memory range. As each comparison of memory occurs, the value of this qualifier determines the next memory location to be searched. The possible step_factors are: BYTE, WORD, LONGWORD, and QUADWORD.

Note that the COPY command releases the dump pages in the paging file so that they are available for system paging. Note that once the COPY command has released the dump pages for paging use, the dump information in these pages may be lost. Subsequent dump analysis should be carried out on the copy of the dump file that was specified in the COPY command.

New and Changed Features

Logical operators have been added to the arithmetic operators in Section 6.2.2. They are the logical AND, logical OR, logical XOR, and logical NOT.

The SET PROCESS and SHOW PROCESS commands can now include quoted strings in the process name in addition to the previous capital letters, numbers, dollar sign (\$), and underscore (_) characters.

The SHOW DEVICE command examples have been changed and now include shadow devices.

The SHOW CRASH command register list now includes the system identification register.

The SHOW PROCESS /RMS=IFAB display has been added to show the changes to that display.

Other minor changes were made to correct typographical errors or slight omissions.

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The System Dump Analyzer is a utility that you can use to help determine the cause of system failures. This utility is also useful for examining the running system.

FORMAT **ANALYZE/qualifier file-spec[/SYMBOL=symbol-table]**

Command Qualifiers	Defaults
<i>/CRASH_DUMP</i>	<i>None.</i>
<i>/RELEASE</i>	<i>None.</i>
<i>/SYSTEM</i>	<i>None.</i>
<i>/SYMBOL=</i>	<i>SYS\$SYSTEM:SYS.STB</i>

Command Parameter

file-spec

The name of the file that contains the dump you want to analyze. At least one field of the file specification is required, and it can be any field of the file specification. The default file specification is the highest version of SYSDUMP.DMP in your default directory.

If the */RELEASE* qualifier is specified, SDA does not allow you to analyze the specified dump file. The */RELEASE* qualifier must be specified with the */CRASH_DUMP* qualifier and is useful only when the system paging file is being used as a dump file. The */RELEASE* qualifier has the effect of releasing the blocks in the paging file that were used to store the dump. This effectively and immediately deletes the dump file from the system paging file.

usage summary

Invoking

To analyze a system dump, issue the *ANALYZE/CRASH_DUMP* command. This causes SDA to read a dump file. If you do not specify the name of a dump file, SDA prompts you for it.

To analyze the running system, issue the *ANALYZE/SYSTEM* command. Do not specify a dump file when you use this qualifier.

To specify a symbol table to use in place of the default, use the */SYMBOL* qualifier.

Exiting

To exit from SDA, use the *EXIT* command. Note that the *EXIT* command also causes SDA to exit from display mode. Thus, if SDA is in display mode, you must use the *EXIT* command twice, once to exit from display mode, and a second time to exit from SDA.

Directing Output

Use the *SET OUTPUT* command to send all output from SDA to a file. You must supply the name of the file as a parameter to the *SET OUTPUT* command. The file produced is 132 columns wide and is formatted for output to a printer.

To redirect the output to your terminal, use the *SET OUTPUT SYS\$OUTPUT* command.

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Use the SET LOG command to send a copy of all the commands you type and all the output those commands produce to a file. You must supply the name of the file as a parameter to the SET LOG command. The file produced is 132 columns wide and is formatted for output to a printer.

Privileges/Restrictions

To examine the running system, your process must have Change-Mode-to-Kernel (CMKRNL) privilege. The CMKRNL privilege is needed to release the page file dump blocks when using either the COPY command or specifying the /RELEASE qualifier in the ANALYZE/CRASH_DUMP command.

To use SDA to analyze a dump, your process must have the privileges necessary for reading the dump file. This usually requires system privilege (SYSPRV), but your system manager can, if necessary, allow less privileged processes to read the dump files.

commands

Syntax

SDA> command [/qualifier[,...]] [parameter] [/qualifier[,...]]

System Dump Analyzer Commands

@ (Execute Procedure)

ATTACH

 /PARENT

COPY

DEFINE

 /ECHO

 /IF_STATE

 /KEY

 /SET_STATE=state_name

 /TERMINATE

EVALUATE

 /CONDITION_VALUE

 /PSL

 /PTE

 /SYMBOLS

EXAMINE

 /ALL

 /CONDITION_VALUE

 /INSTRUCTION

 /NOSKIP

 /NOSUPPRESS

 /P0

 /P1

 /PSL

 /PTE

 /SYSTEM

 /TIME

EXIT

FORMAT

 /TYPE=block_type

HELP

READ

 /RELOCATE=expression

REPEAT

SEARCH

 /LENGTH=length_specifier

 /STEPS=step_factor

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```
SET OUTPUT
SET PROCESS
  /INDEX=index_value
  /SYSTEM
SET RMS
SHOW CLUSTER
  /CSID=n
  /SCS
SHOW CONNECTIONS
  /ADDRESS=n
SHOW CRASH
SHOW DEVICE
  /ADDRESS=n
SHOW HEADER
SHOW LOCK
  /ALL
SHOW PAGE_TABLE
  /GLOBAL
  /SYSTEM
  /ALL
SHOW PFN_DATA
  /ALL
  /BAD
  /FREE
  /MODIFIED
  /SYSTEM
SHOW POOL
  /ALL
  /FREE
  /HEADER
  /IRP
  /LRP
  /NONPAGED
  /PAGED
  /SRP
  /SUMMARY
  /TYPE=block_type
SHOW PORTS
  /ADDRESS=n
SHOW PROCESS
  /ALL
  /CHANNEL
  /INDEX=nn
  /LOCKS
  /P0
  /P1
  /PAGE_TABLES
  /PCB
  /PHD
  /PROCESS_SECTION_TABLE
  /REGISTERS
  /RMS=option
  /SYSTEM
  /WORKING_SET
SHOW RESOURCE
  /ALL
  /LOCKID=nn
SHOW RMS
```

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```
SHOW RSPID
  /CONNECTION=n
SHOW STACK
  /ALL
  /EXECUTIVE
  /INTERRUPT
  /KERNEL
  /SUPERVISOR
  /USER
SHOW SUMMARY
  /IMAGE
SHOW SYMBOL
  /ALL
SPAWN
  /INPUT=filespec
  /NOLOGICAL_NAMES
  /NOSYMBOLS
  /NOTIFY
  /NOWAIT
  /OUTPUT=filespec
  /PROCESS=process_name
VALIDATE QUEUE
  /SELF_RELATIVE
```

DESCRIPTION The System Dump Analyzer is a utility that you can use to help determine the cause of system failures. To use this utility effectively, you must be familiar with VAX/VMS data structures.

This utility uses data in a crash dump file, a file that the system writes each time the system fails. After a failure, this file contains a copy of the contents of memory and a copy of the system's hardware context at the time of the failure. See the *VAX/VMS System Manager's Reference Manual* and the next section of this document for additional information regarding this file.

SDA performs the following operations:

- Assigns a value to a symbol
- Examines the memory of any process
- Formats instructions and blocks of data
- Displays data structures of devices
- Displays the RMS data structures of a process
- Displays memory management data structures
- Displays a summary of all processes on the system
- Displays the SDA symbol table
- Copies the system dump file
- Sends output to a file or device
- Reads global symbols from any object module
- Searches memory for a given value

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In addition to analyzing the system's dump file, SDA can perform the operations listed previously on a running system without interrupting that system's operation.

1 Introduction to SDA

When a fatal error within the system interferes with normal operations by causing the system to fail, the VAX/VMS operating system writes information concerning its status to a system dump file. The System Dump Analyzer (SDA) reads, formats, and displays the contents of this file. You can use SDA to display information on a video display terminal or to create hardcopy listings.

Although SDA provides a great deal of information, it does not analyze all the control blocks and data contained in memory. For this reason, in the event of system failure it is extremely important that you send DIGITAL a Software Performance Report (SPR) and a copy of the system dump file written at the time of the failure.

2 System Management and SDA

The system manager must ensure that the system writes the dump file whenever the system fails. The manager must also see that the dump file is large enough to contain all the information to be saved, and that the dump file is saved for analysis. The following sections describe these tasks.

2.1 The System Dump File

The VAX/VMS operating system can write information into the system dump file only if the system parameter DUMPBUG is set. This parameter is set by default. To alter DUMPBUG, as well as other system parameters, consult the *VAX/VMS System Manager's Reference Manual*.

If the DUMPBUG parameter is set and the operating system fails, the system writes the contents of the error-log buffers, processor registers, and physical memory into the file SYS\$SYSTEM:SYSDUMP.DMP, overwriting the contents of that file. SDA reads this file and produces formatted displays of its contents.

If the file SYSDUMP.DMP does not exist, the VAX/VMS operating system writes the dump of physical memory into SYS\$SYSTEM:PAGEFILE.SYS, the system's paging file, overwriting the contents of that file. If the SAVEDUMP system parameter is set, the dump file is retained in PAGEFILE.SYS when the system is booted. Otherwise, the entire paging file is used for paging and the dump in the paging file is lost. To save the dump and free the pages in the paging file taken up by the dump, this dump must be copied from the paging file to another file. Sections 2.3 and 2.4, and the COPY command description, indicate how to accomplish this.

Occasionally, you may want to free the pages in the paging file that are taken up by the dump without having to copy the dump elsewhere. By issuing the ANALYZE/CRASH_DUMP/RELEASE command, SDA immediately releases the pages to be used for system paging, effectively deleting the dump. Note that this command *does not* allow you to analyze the dump before deleting it.

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System dump files are set to NOBACKUP, in a manner similar to files used for paging and swapping, which means that BACKUP will not copy them to tape unless you use the qualifier /IGNORE=NOBACKUP with BACKUP. When SDA copies the system's dump file to another file, it does not set the file to NOBACKUP.

2.2 Setting the Size of the Dump File

The file SYSDUMP.DMP is furnished in the VAX/VMS software distribution kit as an empty file located in SYS\$SYSTEM, the system directory. The file SYSDUMP.DMP is small. You must make it large enough to hold all the information to be written when the system fails, or you must have the system dumps written into the paging file.

To calculate the right size for your system's dump file, SYS\$SYSTEM:SYSDUMP.DMP, use the following equation:

$$\text{Size-of-dump-file} = \text{size-of-physical-memory} + 4$$

The size of the dump file is expressed in blocks, and the size of memory is expressed in pages. The four extra pages are used to save the error-log buffers and bugcheck information. Be sure to include any shared memory when figuring the size of your system's physical memory.

Use the SYSGEN utility to set the size of the dump file. See the *VAX/VMS System Generation Utility Reference Manual* for more information on establishing the size of dump files.

If you want to use the paging file as the dump file, you must use SYSGEN to set the system parameter SAVEDUMP and to set the size of the paging file. Determine its minimum size according to the following equation:

$$\text{Size-of-paging-file} = \text{size-of-physical-memory} + 4 + 1000$$

Note that this is a minimum for saving a dump. The paging file must be larger than this for most systems to avoid hanging the system. See the *VAX/VMS System Manager's Reference Manual* for more information.

2.3 Saving System Dump Files

Every time the operating system writes information to SYSDUMP.DMP, it writes over whatever was previously stored in the file. For this reason, the system manager should save the contents of SYSDUMP.DMP after a system failure has occurred.

The system manager can use the SDA COPY command or the DCL COPY command. Either command can be used in your site-specific startup procedure, but the SDA COPY command is preferred because it marks the dump file as copied. This is particularly important if the dump was written into the paging file, PAGEFILE.SYS. Section 2.4 discusses the startup procedure in more detail. See the Commands Section for a description of the COPY command.

2.4 The System Startup Procedure

Because a listing of the SDA output is an important source of information in determining the cause of a system failure, it is a good idea to make sure that SDA produces such a listing after every failure. The system manager can ensure the creation of a listing by modifying the SYSTARTUP.COM file in the SYS\$MANAGER directory so that it invokes SDA when the system is booted.

When called by the system startup procedure, SDA executes the commands in the system's startup command procedure only if the system just failed. SDA scans the dump file for a flag that indicates whether SDA has already processed the file. This flag is cleared each time the operating system writes a crash dump into SYSDUMP.DMP (unless an operator requested shutdown with OPCCRASH.EXE). If the flag is cleared, SDA executes the startup command procedure and sets the flag. If SDA finds that the flag is set, however, it exits without executing the procedure.

The following example shows typical commands that might be added to your site-specific startup command file to produce an SDA listing after each failure.

```
$ !
$ !      Print dump listing if system just failed
$ !
$ ANALYZE/CRASH_DUMP SYS$SYSTEM:SYSDUMP.DMP
  COPY SYS$SYSTEM:SAVEDUMP.DMP      ! Save dump file
  SET OUTPUT LPAO:SYSDUMP.LIS       ! Create listing file
  SHOW CRASH                        ! Display crash
                                   ! information
  SHOW STACK                        ! Show current stack
  SHOW SUMMARY                      ! List all active
                                   ! processes
  SHOW PROCESS/PCB/PHD/REG          ! Display current process
  SHOW SYMBOL/ALL                   ! Print system symbol
                                   ! table

EXIT
```

The COPY command in the preceding example saves the contents of the file SYSDUMP.DMP. If your system's startup command file does not save a copy of the contents of this file, this crash dump information will be lost in the next system failure, when the system saves the information on the new failure, overwriting the contents of SYSDUMP.DMP.

Note that if you use the paging file, SYS\$SYSTEM:PAGEFILE.SYS, as the crash dump file, you must use SDA to copy the dump from this file to another file. If you fail to do this, the pages in the paging file that were used to save information on the failure are not freed for use in paging, and your system might hang during the execution of STARTUP.COM.

Thus, if you use the paging file as the crash dump file, you must include the following commands in your system's STARTUP.COM file:

```
$ ANALYZE/CRASH_DUMP SYS$SYSTEM:PAGEFILE.SYS
.
.
.
Various SDA commands
.
.
.
```

```
SDA> COPY filespec
SDA> EXIT
```

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For another method of releasing the pages in the paging file without analyzing the dump, see Section 2.1.

3

Using SDA

You can use SDA to examine the running system or the dump resulting from a system failure. The next two sections describe these activities.

When you invoke SDA, by using DCL's ANALYZE/SYSTEM command or by using DCL's ANALYZE/CRASH_DUMP command, SDA executes the commands in the SDA initialization file, if such a file exists. SDA refers to its initialization file by using the logical name SDA\$INIT. This initialization file can contain SDA commands that define keys, among other SDA commands.

3.1

Analyzing a System Dump

To enable SDA to read a dump file, your process must have:

- Read access to the file that contains the dump
- Read access to a copy of the system symbol table, SYS.STB, which SDA reads by default
- Enough virtual address space for SDA to map the entire dump file, to map any symbol tables required, and to use for stacks

The files SYSDUMP.DMP and SYS.STB are included in the VAX/VMS distribution kit. World access is denied to the SYSDUMP.DMP file. Because the dump file can contain privileged information, it is a good idea for the system manager to protect SYSDUMP.DMP from universal read access. See the *VAX/VMS System Manager's Reference Manual* for details on how to change a file's protection.

To ensure that SDA has the correct amount of virtual address space, the value of the system parameter VIRTUALPAGECNT must be larger than the size of the system's dump file by approximately 2000 pages.

The suggested parameter setting is a sufficient guideline for the majority of VAX/VMS installations. Further increases in the parameter may be required if your particular installation places extra heavy demands upon the virtual address space of the process.

For more information on process privileges, see the *VAX/VMS System Manager's Reference Manual*. For a description of system parameters, see the *VAX/VMS System Generation Utility Reference Manual*. For a description of the Authorize Utility, see the *VAX/VMS Authorize Utility Reference Manual*.

If the conditions listed previously are satisfied, you can invoke SDA to examine a dump file with the DCL command ANALYZE/CRASH_DUMP. If you do not specify a dump file with this command, SDA prompts you for the name of the file, as follows:

```
$ ANALYZE/CRASH_DUMP
_Dump File:
```

The default file specification is SYS\$DISK:[default-dir]SYSDUMP.DMP, where SYS\$DISK and [default-dir] represent, respectively, the disk and directory specified in your last SET DEFAULT command. (See Section 6 for more information about SDA command formats.)

4 Reading the System Dump File

When you invoke SDA to analyze the system dump file, SDA gathers, from the specified dump file, the information it needs to create its displays. Under certain conditions, some memory locations might not be saved in the system dump file.

For instance, if SYSDUMP.DMP is too small, the operating system cannot copy all of memory to the file when a system failure occurs. For most systems, this means that the system's page table (SPT) is not included in the dump. SDA cannot analyze a dump unless the SPT is included in the dump in its entirety.

The SPT, which contains one entry for each page of system virtual address space, is the first data structure SDA looks for when it reads the system dump file. As long as SYSDUMP.DMP contains the SPT, SDA can map the contents of that file.

Only the contents of physical memory are saved when the system fails. Thus, if you use an SDA command to access a virtual address that has no corresponding physical address, SDA generates an error message:

```
%SDA-E-NOTINPHYS, xxxxxxxx : not in physical memory
```

In the preceding message, xxxxxxxx represents the virtual address that is not in physical memory.

Also, during halt/restart bugchecks, the contents of general registers are not preserved. If such a bugcheck occurs, SDA indicates in the SHOW CRASH display that the contents of the registers were destroyed.

5 Analyzing a Running System

Occasionally, VAX/VMS encounters an internal problem that hinders system performance without causing a system failure. By allowing you to examine the running system, SDA provides the means to search for the solution to the problem without disturbing the operating system.

To examine the running system, your process needs change-mode-to-kernel (CMKRNL) privilege. (See the *VAX/VMS System Manager's Reference Manual* for a discussion of this and other privileges.) If your process has CMKRNL privilege, you can invoke SDA to examine the system with the following DCL command:

```
! ANALYZE/SYSTEM
```

SDA automatically sets process context to that of your process. (For an explanation of process context, see the description of the SET PROCESS command in the Commands section of this manual.)

In analyzing the system dump file, SDA maps the entire file; but in analyzing the running system, SDA does not map the entire system. Instead, each time you give a command, SDA retrieves only the information it needs to process that command. If you reissue the command, SDA fetches the information again. In this way, SDA updates requested information to reflect the current state of the running system.

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You can use the ANALYZE/SYSTEM command to examine the stack and memory of a process that is stalled in a scheduler state, such as a miscellaneous wait (MWAIT) or a suspended (SUSP) state. The *VAX/VMS System Manager's Reference Manual* provides more information about scheduler states.

5.1 Building the SDA Symbol Table

After locating and reading the system dump file, SDA attempts to read the system's symbol table file. This file, named SYS.STB, contains the global symbols used by the VAX/VMS operating system.

SDA looks for SYS.STB in the system directory SYS\$SYSTEM. Once SDA finds SYS.STB, it copies the file's contents to the SDA symbol table. If SDA cannot find the system symbol table file, it halts with a fatal error.

In addition to having SDA read symbols in SYS.STB, you might find it useful for SDA to read the symbols in SYSDEF.STB, which contains symbols that define many of the system's data structures, including those in the I/O database. You can cause SDA to read these symbols by using the READ command described in the Commands section of this manual.

When SDA finishes building its symbol table, it displays a message identifying itself and the immediate cause of the crash. In the following example, the cause of the crash was a nonzero mutex count at the end of the execution of a system service.

```
VAX/VMS System dump analyzer
Dump taken on 15-Feb-1986 10:15:49.20
MTXCNTNONZ, Mutex count nonzero at system service exit
SDA>
```

The SDA> prompt indicates that you can use SDA interactively and enter SDA commands, or send selected information to a file, or print selected information on a printer. Refer to the description of the SET OUTPUT command in the Commands section of this manual for directions on defining output files, and to the description of the SET LOG command for directions on defining log files.

6 SDA Command Format

The following sections describe the format of SDA commands and the expressions you can use with SDA commands.

6.1 General Command Format

SDA uses a command format similar to that used by the DIGITAL Command Language (DCL) interpreter. You issue commands in this general format:

```
command-name[/qualifier...] [parameter] [/qualifier...] [!comment]
```

The **command-name** is an SDA command. Each command tells the utility to perform a function. Commands can consist of one or more words, and can be abbreviated to the number of characters that make the command unique. For example, SH stands for SHOW, and SE stands for SET.

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The **parameter** is the target of the command. For example, SHOW PROCESS RUSKIN tells SDA to display the context of the process RUSKIN. The command EXAMINE 80104CD0;40 displays the contents of 40 bytes of memory, beginning with location 80104CD0.

When the parameter is a file specification, the default device is SYS\$DISK, the device specified in your most recent SET DEFAULT command. Likewise, the default directory is the directory specified in the most recent SET DEFAULT command. See the *VAX/VMS DCL Dictionary* for a description of the DCL command SET DEFAULT.

The **/qualifier** modifies the action of an SDA command. A qualifier is always preceded by a slash (/). Several qualifiers can follow a single parameter or command name, but each must be preceded by a slash. Qualifiers can be abbreviated to the shortest string of characters that uniquely identifies the qualifier.

The **!comment** is text that comments upon the command. Such comments are useful for documenting SDA command procedures. However, the exclamation point (!) may be used within an expression in a command to indicate a logical OR operation. If the exclamation point (!) is used outside of the expression, SDA ignores the exclamation point and all characters that follow it on the same line (they are treated as a comment).

6.2 Expressions

You can use expressions as parameters for some SDA commands. For example, the SEARCH and EXAMINE commands use expressions. To create expressions, you can use any of the following:

- Radix operators
- Arithmetic and logical operators
- Precedence operators
- Symbols
- Numerals

Numerals are the digits you can type on your keyboard. The following sections describe the use of the other components of expressions.

6.2.1 Radix Operators

Radix operators determine which radix SDA uses to evaluate expressions. You can use one of the three radix operators to specify the radix of the numeric expression that follows the operator:

- ^X (hexadecimal)
- ^O (octal)
- ^D (decimal)

The default radix is hexadecimal. SDA displays hexadecimal numbers with leading zeros and decimal numbers with leading spaces.

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6.2.2 Arithmetic and Logical Operators

Arithmetic and logical operators are useful in forming expressions. There are two types: unary and binary operators. Unary operators affect the value of the expression that follows them. Binary operators combine the operands that precede and follow them. The SDA arithmetic operators perform integer arithmetic on 32-bit operands.

SDA recognizes the following six unary operators:

Operator	Action
#	Performs a logical NOT of the expression
+	Makes the value of the expression positive
-	Makes the value of the expression negative
@	Evaluates the following expression as a virtual address, then uses the contents of that address as value
G	Adds 80000000 to the value of the expression
H	Adds 7FFE0000 to the value of the expression

The unary operator G corresponds to the first virtual address in system space; the unary operator H corresponds to a convenient base address in the control region of a process. The binary operators are the following:

Operator	Action
+	Addition
-	Subtraction
*	Multiplication
&	Logical AND
!	Logical OR
\	Logical XOR
/	Division
@	Arithmetic shifting

SDA performs logical AND, OR, and XOR operations, and multiplication, division, and arithmetic shifting before addition and subtraction. In division, SDA truncates the quotient to an integer, if necessary, and does not retain a remainder. Note that the logical OR operator (!) is valid within the expression in a command that uses an arithmetic expression. Otherwise, in an SDA command, the DCL command line interpreter may interpret the exclamation point as the start of a comment on the command line.

6.2.3 Precedence Operators

SDA uses parentheses as precedence operators. Expressions enclosed in parentheses are evaluated first. SDA evaluates nested parenthetical expressions from the innermost to the outermost pairs of parentheses.

6.2.4 Symbols

Names of symbols can contain from 1 to 31 alphanumeric characters and can include the dollar sign (\$) and underscore (_) characters. Symbols can take values from -7FFFFFFF to 7FFFFFFF (hexadecimal).

SDA copies symbols into its symbol table from the SYS.STB file. Additional symbols can be taken from other symbol tables and added to the SDA symbol table with the READ command. Symbols can also be created by the DEFINE command.

In addition, SDA provides the following symbols:

Symbol	Meaning
.	(the period character) The current location
AP	The argument pointer
CLUSTRLOA	The base address of loadable VAXcluster code
nnDRIVER	The base address of the driver prologue table (DPT); a symbol exists for each loaded device driver in the system
ESP	The executive-mode stack pointer
FP	The frame pointer
FPEMUL	The base address of the code that emulates floating-point instructions
G	80000000, the base address of system space
H	7FFE0000
KSP	The kernel-mode stack pointer
MCHK	An address within loadable CPU-specific routines
MP	The base address of loadable multiprocessor code
MSCP	The address of loadable MSCP-server code
POBR	The base register for the program region
POLR	The length register for the program region
P1BR	The base register for the control region
P1LR	The length register for the control region
PC	The program counter
PSL	The processor-status longword
RO through R11	The general registers
RMS	The base address of the RMS image
SCSLOA	The base address of loadable common SCS services

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Symbol	Meaning
SP	The current stack pointer of a process
SSP	The supervisor-mode stack pointer
SYSLOA	The base address of loadable processor-specific system code
USP	The user-mode stack pointer

The register symbols correspond to the registers saved as part of the hardware context of the current process. (See the SET PROCESS command in the Commands section of this manual for a definition of the current process.) For example, the command EXAMINE @USP displays the contents of the user-mode stack pointer, the register that contains the address of the user-mode stack.

The notation nn within the symbol nnDRIVER represents the 2-letter, generic device name (for example, LPDRIVER).

When SDA displays an address, it displays that address both in hexadecimal and as a symbol, if possible. If the address is within FFF of the value of a symbol, SDA displays the symbol plus the offset from the value of that symbol to the address. If more than one symbol's value is within FFF of the address, SDA displays the symbol whose value is the closest. If no symbols have values within FFF of the address, SDA displays no symbol. For an example, see the description of the SHOW STACK command.

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Analyzing System Failures

The next sections discuss how the VAX/VMS operating system handles internal errors, and suggests procedures that can aid you in determining the cause of these errors. The last sections illustrate, through detailed analysis of a sample system failure, how SDA helps you find the cause of operating system problems.

For a complete description of the commands discussed in the sections that follow, refer to the last part of the SDA documentation, which describes all the SDA commands in alphabetical order.

7.1

General Procedure for Analyzing System Failures

When the VAX/VMS operating system detects an internal error so severe that normal operation cannot continue, it signals a condition known as a fatal bugcheck and shuts itself down. A bugcheck code describes the error; each error is associated with a code.

To resolve the problem, you must find the reason for the bugcheck. Most failures are caused by errors in user-written device drivers or other privileged code not supplied by DIGITAL. To identify and correct these errors, you need a listing of the code in question.

Occasionally a system failure is the result of a hardware failure or an error in code supplied by DIGITAL. A hardware failure requires the attention of Digital Field Service. To diagnose an error in code supplied by DIGITAL, you need listings of that code, which are supplied on microfiche with your VAX/VMS software kit.

Start the search for the error by locating the line of code that signaled the bugcheck. Invoke SDA and use the SHOW CRASH command to display the content of the program counter (PC). The content of the PC is the address of the next instruction after the instruction that signaled the bugcheck.

The PC often contains an address in the exception handler, which signaled the bugcheck but did not cause it. In this case, the address of the instruction that caused the bugcheck is located on the stack. Use the SHOW STACK command to display the contents of the stack. See Section 7.2 for information on how to proceed for several types of bugchecks.

Once you have found the address of the instruction that caused the bugcheck, you need to find the module in which the failing instruction resides. Use the SHOW DEVICE command to determine if the instruction is part of a device driver.

If it is not part of a driver, examine the linker's map of the module or modules you are debugging to determine if the instruction that caused the bugcheck is in your programs.

If it is not part of a driver and not part of your programs, examine the system map in the file SYS\$SYSTEM:SYS.MAP. This file lists the addresses of each VAX/VMS module that is part of SYS.EXE, the system image. Compare the address in the PC with the addresses in the system map file to locate the module that contains the instruction to which the PC points.

If you do not have the system map file, you can use the SDA symbol table. All the global symbols that appear in SYS.MAP also exist in the file SYS.STB, which SDA reads when you invoke it. To determine the offset from the closest global symbol, you can issue the command

```
SDA> EXAMINE @PC
```

Note, however, that the closest symbol might not be in the same module as the code you are examining.

Once you have narrowed the search to a particular module, subtract the module's starting address from the address in the PC to get the offset into the module of the failing instruction.

Now, to determine the general cause of the system failure, examine the code that signaled the bugcheck.

7.2 Fatal Bugcheck Conditions

Bugchecks frequently are caused by one of two conditions: a fatal exception or an illegal page fault.

7.2.1 Fatal Exceptions

An exception is fatal when it occurs while the following conditions exist:

- The process is using the interrupt stack
- The process is executing above IPL 2 (IPL\$_ASTDEL)
- The process is executing in a privileged (kernel or executive) processor access mode and has not declared a condition handler to deal with the exception

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When the system fails, it lists the approximate cause of the failure on the console terminal as shown following. SDA displays the same information when you use the SHOW CRASH command. SDA displays one of the following reasons for a fatal exception:

```
FATALEXCPT, Fatal executive or kernel mode exception
INVEXCEPTN, Exception while above ASTDEL or on interrupt stack
SSRVEXCEPT, Unexpected system service exception
```

For INVEXCEPTN and SSRVEXCEPT bugchecks, two lists of arguments are pushed on the stack, the signal array and the mechanism array. These lists contain important information about the exception that resulted in the bugcheck.

Although there are several possible exception conditions, access violations are most common. The rest of this section discusses access violations in detail. For more information on other kinds of exceptions and condition handling, see the *VAX/VMS Run-Time Library Routines Reference Manual*.

When the hardware detects an access violation, information useful in finding the cause of the violation is pushed onto the kernel-mode stack. If the access violation occurred when the system was using the interrupt stack, the argument lists go on the interrupt stack. This information is described by three arrays.

An argument list is a series of longwords, in which the first longword contains the number of longwords that follow. For an exception, the first argument list that appears on the stack contains the addresses of the next two arrays. In this way, the first argument list, or array, that may appear on the stack contains three longwords: the first contains the number of longwords that follow, the second is the address of a signal array, and the third is the address of a mechanism array. Thus, each longword following the first contains the address of the next two lists called the mechanism array and the signal array. The general form of an argument list or array is shown in Figure SDA-1. The first argument list on the stack is shown in Figure SDA-2.

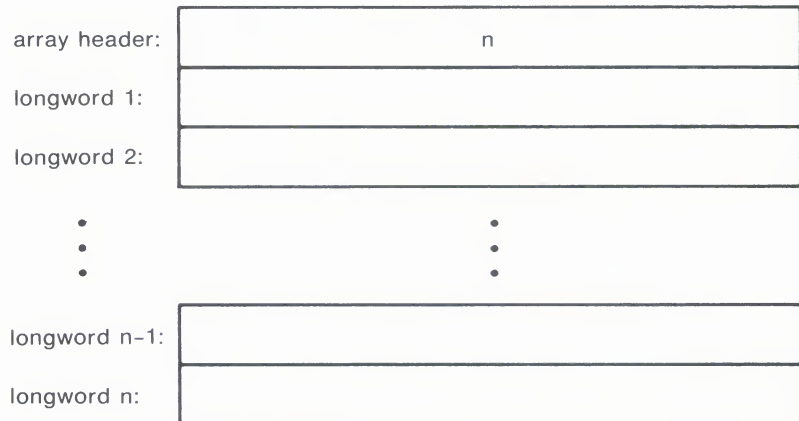
The first longword in the mechanism array or the signal array contains the number of longwords that follow in each. The longwords in the mechanism array contain information that describes conditions at the time of the exception. These conditions are the stack frame, the stack depth, R0, and R1. The longwords in the signal array contain information that describes the exception code, exception parameters (if any), the program counter (PC), and the PSL. A mechanism array is shown in Figure SDA-3, and a signal array is shown in Figure SDA-4.

The first array does not always appear on the stack. If it does not, the mechanism array is the first. The mechanism array describes the process that was executing when the exception occurred. Figure SDA-3 illustrates the sequence of longwords in a mechanism array.

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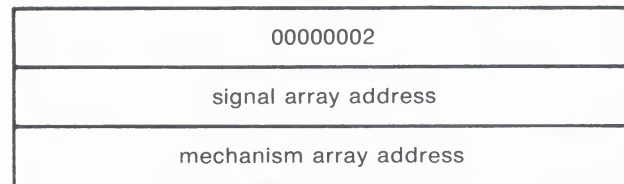
Description

Figure SDA-1 An Argument List on the Stack



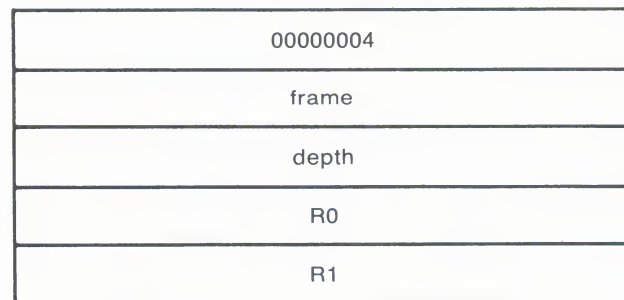
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Figure SDA-2 The First Argument List on the Stack



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Figure SDA-3 A Mechanism Array



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The values contained in the mechanism array are defined as follows:

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Description

Value	Meaning
00000004	The number of longwords that follow. In a mechanism array, this value is always 4.
Frame	The address of the stack frame.
Depth	The stack depth.
R0	The contents of R0 at the time of the exception.
R1	The contents of R1 at the time of the exception.

The next argument list on the stack is the signal array. For access violations, the signal array is set up as follows:

Figure SDA-4 A Signal Array

00000005
0000000C
reason mask
virtual address
PC
PSL

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The values in the signal array are defined as follows:

Value	Meaning
00000005	The number of longwords that follow. For access violations, this value is always 5.
0000000C	The exception code. This value, C (hexadecimal), represents an access violation.
Reason mask	A longword, of which the lowest three bits, if set, indicate that the instruction caused a length violation (bit 0), referenced the process page table (bit 1), or attempted a read or modify operation (bit 2; read=0, write=1).
Virtual address	The virtual address that the system tried to reference.
PC	The program counter. The PC contains the address of the instruction that signaled the exception.
PSL	The processor status longword at the time of the exception.

Signal arrays differ in length, depending on the kind of exception the system detects. They contain a minimum of three arguments: the exception code, the PC, and the PSL at the time of the exception. You can identify the exception code by using the EVALUATE/CONDITION command.

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Description

If VAX/VMS encounters a fatal exception, you can find the code that signaled it by examining the PC in the signal array. Use the SHOW STACK command to display the stack in use when the failure occurred, then locate the mechanism and signal arrays. Once you obtain the PC, which points to the instruction that signaled the exception, you can identify the module by the procedure outlined in Section 8.3.

7.2.2

Illegal Page Faults

VAX/VMS also signals a bugcheck when a page fault occurs while the interrupt priority level (IPL) is greater than 2 (IPL\$_ASTDEL). When VAX/VMS fails because of an illegal page fault, it prints the following message on the console terminal:

```
PGFIPLHI, Page fault with IPL too high
```

When an illegal page fault occurs, longwords containing the following information are pushed onto the operating stack.

Figure SDA-5 The Stack Following an Illegal Page-Fault Error

R4
R5
reason mask
virtual address
PC
PSL

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The longwords pushed onto the stack are listed following.

Longword	Contents
R4	The contents of R4 at the time of the bugcheck.
R5	The contents of R5 at the time of the bugcheck.
Reason mask	A longword, of which the lowest three bits, if set, indicate that the instruction caused a length violation (bit 0), referenced the process page table (bit 1), or attempted a read or modify operation (bit 2; read=0, write=1).
Virtual address	The virtual address being referenced by the instruction that caused the page fault.
PC	The program counter. The PC contains the address of the instruction that was being executed when the page fault occurred.
PSL	The contents of the processor status longword at the time of the bugcheck.

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Description

If the operating system detects a page fault while the IPL is higher than 2, you can obtain the address of the instruction that caused the fault by examining the PC pushed onto the current operating stack. Follow the steps outlined in Section 8.3 to determine which module issued the instruction.

8 A Sample System Failure

This section steps through the analysis of a system failure caused by an example device driver. Three events lead up to this failure:

- 1 The line printer goes off line for three hours.
- 2 The line printer comes back on line.
- 3 The VAX/VMS operating system signals a bugcheck, writes information to the system dump file, and shuts itself down.

8.1 Identifying the Bugcheck

Invoke SDA to analyze the system dump file. The initialization message indicates the type of bugcheck that occurred as follows:

```
VAX/VMS System dump analyzer
Dump taken on 31-JAN-1985 16:34:31.23
INVEXCEPTN, Exception while above ASTDEL or on interrupt stack
SDA>
```

VAX/VMS encountered an exception that caused it to signal a bugcheck. Signal and mechanism arrays are created on the current operating stack.

8.2 Identifying the Exception

Use the SHOW STACK command to display the current operating stack, which in this case is the interrupt stack. The following example shows the interrupt stack and the signal and mechanism arrays. See the description of the SHOW STACK command for a complete description of the format of the stack display.

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```
Current operating stack (INTERRUPT)
      8006A378      8000844B      ACP$WRITEBLK+OAO
      .
      .
SP => 8006A398      7FFDC340
      8006A39C      8006A3A0
      8006A3A0      80004E7D      EXE$REFLECT+OD4
      8006A3A4      04080009
      8006A3A8      00000004
      8006A3AC      7FFDC368
      8006A3B0      FFFFFFFD
      8006A3B4      8001774E
      8006A3B8      0000074F
      8006A3BC      00000001
      8006A3C0      00000005
      8006A3C4      0000000C
      8006A3C8      00000000
      8006A3CC      80069E00
      8006A3D0      8005D003
      8006A3D4      04080000
      8006A3D8      80009604      EXE$FORKDSPTH+O1C
      .
      .
```

The mechanism array begins at address 8006A3A8 and ends at address 8006A3B8. Its first longword contains 00000004. The signal array begins at address 8006A3C0 and ends at 8006A3D4. Its first longword contains 00000005 and its second longword contains 0000000C. Examination of the signal array shows that:

- The exception code is C (hexadecimal), which means that an access violation occurred.
- The reason mask is zero, which means that the instruction generated a protection violation (instead of a length violation) when it tried to read the location (rather than write to it).
- The virtual address is 80069E00, the address that the instruction tried to reference.
- The PC contains 8005D003, the address of the instruction that signaled the exception.
- The IPL was 8 at the time of the exception (shown by bits 16 through 20 of the PSL).
- The current operating stack was the interrupt stack (bit 26 of the PSL is set to 1).
- The process was executing in kernel mode at the time of the exception (shown by bits 24 and 25 of the PSL).

Use the SHOW PAGE_TABLE command to display the system page table, as shown in the example following. The page containing location 80069E00 is not available to any access mode (a null page); thus the virtual address is not valid.

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Description

```
SDA> SHOW PAGE_TABLE  
System page table
```

ADDRESS	SVAPTE	PTE	TYPE	PROT	BITS	PAGTYP	LOC	STATE	TYPE	REFCNT	BAK	SVAPTE	FLINK	BLINK
80068400	80777B08	7C40FFC8	STX	UR		K								
80068600	80777B0C	7C40FFC8	STX	UR		K								
80068800	80777B10	7C40FFC8	STX	UR		K								
80068A00	80777B14	7C40FFC8	STX	UR		K								
80068C00	80777B18	7C40FFC8	STX	UR		K								
80068E00	80777B1C	7C40FFC8	STX	UR		K								
80069000	80777B20	7C40FFC8	STX	UR		K								
80069200	80777B24	7C40FFC8	STX	UR		K								
80069400	80777B28	7C40FFC8	STX	UR		K								
80069600	80777B2C	7C40FFC8	STX	UR		K								
80069800	80777B30	7C40FFC8	STX	UR		K								
80069A00	80777B34	780016C9	TRANS	UR	K	SYSTEM	FREELST	00	01	0	0040FFC8	80777B34	03AF	0E15
80069C00	80777B38	78000E15	TRANS	UR	K	SYSTEM	FREELST	00	01	0	0040FFC8	80777B38	16C9	2592

----- 40 NULL PAGES

8.3 Locating the Source of the Exception

Because the printer went off line and then on line, as shown on the console listing, the problem might exist in the driver code. SDA can help you to determine which driver might contain the faulty code.

8.3.1 Finding the Driver by Using the Program Counter

When SDA builds its internal symbol table, it defines a symbol, in the form nnDRIVER, for each device driver connected to the system. This symbol represents the base of the driver prologue table (DPT).

The DPT describes the driver. All of the driver prologue tables are linked in a list. Each DPT is part of the device driver it describes and is followed by that driver's code. The following example shows a partial list of the drivers in the display generated by the SHOW DEVICE command.

```
SDA> SHOW DEVICE  
I/O data structures
```

```
-----  
DDB list  
-----
```

Address	Controller	ACP	Driver	DPT	DPT size
80000ECC	HELIUM\$DBA	F11XQP	DBDRIVER	800F7AD0	08FD
80001040	OPA		OPERATOR	80001622	0061
8000126C	MBA		MBDRIVER	800015B0	0578
80001460	NLA		NLDRIVER	800015E9	05A3
801E2800	HELIUM\$DMA	F11XQP	DMDRIVER	800B5C80	0AA0
801E2980	HELIUM\$DLA	F11XQP	DLDRIVER	800B6A50	08D0

Find the PC in the signal array, and examine that location in MACRO-instruction format by using the EXAMINE/INSTRUCTION command. If that address lies within the first 1000 (hexadecimal) bytes of a device driver, SDA identifies that driver by showing the address as a symbol, nnDRIVER, and an offset from that symbol to the address in question. The address defined as the symbol nnDRIVER is the base address of the driver's DPT.

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If SDA is unable to find a symbol within 1000 (hexadecimal) bytes of the memory location you specify, it displays the location as an absolute address. This result often, but not always, means the instruction that caused the exception is not part of a device driver.

To determine whether an instruction is or is not part of a driver, use the SHOW DEVICE command (see the Commands section in this manual) to display the starting addresses and lengths of the drivers in the system. If the address of the failing instruction falls within the range of addresses shown for a given driver, the failing instruction is a part of that driver.

In the example following, the instruction that caused the exception is located within the printer driver.

```
SDA> EXAMINE/INSTRUCTION 8005D003
LPDRIVER+2B3  MOVB  (R3)+,(R0)
```

8.3.2

Calculating the Offset into the Driver's Program Section

The offsets that SDA displays are offsets from the DPT. These offsets do not match the offsets shown in driver listings. The offsets in a MACRO-assembler listing are offsets from the beginning of the program section (PSECT) in which that instruction appears. Because a driver usually contains more than one PSECT, you must use the driver's map to determine the following:

- The PSECT that contains the instruction
- The base address of that PSECT, relative to the base address of the DPT

To calculate the failing instruction's offset into the driver's program-section listing, subtract the PSECT base from the offset given by SDA.

8.4 Finding the Problem Within the Routine

To find the problem within the routine, examine the printer's driver code. In this sample system failure, the instruction that caused the exception is MOVB (R3)+,(R0). To check the contents of R3, use the EXAMINE command as follows:

```
SDA> EXAMINE R3
R3: 80069E00 "...."
```

The invalid virtual address is stored in R3.

```
570 STARTIO:
571     MOVL   UCB$L_IRP(R5),R3      ;Retrieve address of I/O packet
572     MOVW   IRP$L_MEDIA+2(R3),-
573         UCB$W_BOFF(R5)          ;Set number of characters to print
574     MOVL   UCB$L_SVAPTE(R5),R3   ;Get address of system buffer
575     MOVAB  12(R3),R3             ;Get address of data area
576     MOVL   UCB$L_CRB(R5),R4      ;Get address of CRB
577     MOVL   @CRB$L_INTD+VEC$L_IDB(R4),R4 ;Get device CSR address
578 ;
579 ; START NEXT OUTPUT SEQUENCE
580 ;
582 10$: ADDL3 #LP_DBR,R4,R0        ;Find address of data buffer register
583     MOVZWL UCB$W_BOFF(R5),R1     ;Get number of characters remaining
584     MOVW   #~X8080,R2           ;Get control register test mask
585     BRB    25$                  ;Start output
586 20$: BITW  R2,(R4)              ;Printer ready or have paper problem?
587     BLEQ   30$                  ;If LEQ not ready or paper problem,
588     MOVB   (R3)+,(R0)           ;output next character
589     FREEIB ;Flush instruction buffer and delay
590 25$: SOBGEQ R1,20$             ;Any more characters to output?
591     BRW    70$                  ;All done, BRW to set return status
```

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Description

The instruction that caused the system failure is at line 588. The contents of R3 have probably been incremented too many times.

8.4.1 Examining the Routine

The MOV_B instruction is part of a routine that reads characters from a buffer and writes them to the printer. The routine contains the loop of instructions that starts at the label 20\$ and ends at 25\$. This loop executes once for each character in the buffer, performing these five steps:

- 1 The driver checks the printer's status register to see if the printer is ready.
- 2 If the printer is ready, the driver gets a character from the buffer and moves it to the printer's data register, to which R0 points; then it decrements R1, which contains the count of characters left to print. If R1 contains a number greater than zero, control is passed back to the instruction at 20\$, and the loop begins again.
- 3 Steps 1 and 2 are repeated until the contents of R1 is 0 or the printer signals that it is not ready.
- 4 If the printer signals that it is not ready, the driver transfers control to 30\$ (line 587), the beginning of a routine that waits for an interrupt from the printer.
- 5 When the printer is ready, it interrupts the driver, and execution of the loop resumes.

Examine the code to determine which variables control the loop. The byte count (BCNT) is the number of characters in the buffer. This value controls the number of times the loop is executed. Note that BCNT is set by a function decision table (FDT) routine and that this routine sets the value of BCNT to the number of characters in the buffer. Note also that the number of characters left to be printed is represented by the byte offset (BOFF), the offset into the buffer at which the driver finds the next character to be printed.

Because the exception is an access violation, either R3 or R0 contains an incorrect value. Because the instruction at 10\$ places the address of the data-buffer register into R0, and no other instruction references R0 until the MOV_B instruction does, it is probable that R0 contains the correct value.

You can check whether R3 contains an incorrect value, however, by noting that the instruction at line 576 (MOV_L UCB\$L_CRB(R5),R4) moves the address of the printer's CRB into R4 and that no instruction changes the contents of R4 between lines 576 and 588. Although it is possible that the UCB contains the wrong address, it is unlikely. Thus, the contents of R3 seem to be the cause of the failure.

The most likely reason that the contents of R3 are wrong is that the MOV_B instruction at line 588 executes too many times. You can check this by comparing the contents of UCB\$W_BOFF and UCB\$W_BCNT. If UCB\$W_BOFF contains a larger value than that in UCB\$W_BCNT, then R3 contains a value that is too large, indicating that the MOV_B instruction has incremented the contents of R3 too many times.

8.4.2 Checking the Values of Key Variables

Because this start-I/O routine requires that R5 contain the address of the printer's UCB, and because several other instructions reference R5 without error before any instruction in the loop does, you can assume that R5 contains the address of the right UCB. To compare BOFF and BCNT, use the command `FORMAT @R5` to display the contents of the UCB, as shown following.

```
SDA> READ SYS$SYSTEM:SYSDEF.STB
SDA> FORMAT @R5

8005D160   UCB$L_RQFL      800039A8
           UCB$L_FQFL
8005D164   UCB$L_RQBL      800039A8
           UCB$L_FQBL
8005D168   UCB$W_SIZE      0080
8005D16A   UCB$B_TYPE      10
8005D16B   UCB$B_FIPL      08
           .
           .
8005D1C8   UCB$L_SVAPTE    80062720
8005D1CC   UCB$W_BOFF      0795
8005D1CE   UCB$W_BCNT      006D
8005D1D0   UCB$B_ERTCNT    00
8005D1D1   UCB$B_ERTMAX    00
8005D1D2   UCB$W_ERRCNT    0000
           .
           .
SDA>
```

If you have only one printer in your system configuration, you need not use the `FORMAT` command. Instead, you can use the command `SHOW DEVICE LP`. Because only one printer is connected to the VAX processor, only one UCB is associated with a printer for SDA to display.

The output produced by the `FORMAT @R5` command shows that `UCB$W_BOFF` contains a value greater than that in `UCB$W_BCNT`; it should be smaller. Therefore, the value stored in `BOFF` is incorrect.

Thus, the value of `BOFF` is not the number of characters that remain in the buffer. This value is used in calculating an address that is referenced at an elevated IPL. When this address is within a null page (unreadable in all access modes), an attempt to reference it causes the system to fail.

8.4.3 Identifying and Fixing the Defective Code

Examine the printer driver code to locate all instructions that modify `UCB$W_BOFF`. The value changes in two circumstances:

- Immediately after the driver detects that the printer is not ready and that the problem is not a paper problem (line 598).
- When the wait-for-interrupt (`WFIKPCH`) routine's timeout count of 12 seconds is exhausted (lines 603 and 615). At this time, the contents of R1, plus one is stored in `UCB$W_BOFF` (line 616).

When the printer times out, the driver should not modify `UCB$W_BOFF`. It does so, however, in line 616. The driver should modify the contents of `UCB$W_BOFF` only when it is certain that the printer printed the character. When the printer times out, this is not the case. Furthermore, the `WFIKPCH` routine preserves only registers R3, R4, and R5, so only these registers can be used unmodified after the execution of the `WFIKPCH` routine. Thus the use of R1 in line 616 is an error.

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To correct the problem, change the WFIKPCH argument (line 60) so that, when the printer times out, the WFIKPCH macro transfers control to 50\$ rather than to 40\$.

```
596
597 30$: BNEQ 40$ ;If NEQ paper problem
598 ADDW3 #1,R1,UCB$W_BOFF(R5) ;Save number of characters remaining
599 DSBINT UCB$B_DIPL(R5) ;Disable interrupts
600 BITW #^X80,LP_CSR(R4) ;Is it ready now?
601 BNEQ 35$ ;If NEQ, yes, it's ready
601 BISB #^X40,LP_CSR(R4) ;Set interrupt enable
603 WFIKPCH 40$,#12 ;Wait for ready interrupt
604 IOFORK ;Create a fork process
605 BRB 10$ ; ...and start next output
606
607 35$:
608 ENBINT ;Enable system interrupts
609 CLRW LP_CSR(R4) ;Disable device interrupts
610 BRB 10$ ;Go transfer more characters
611 ;
612 ; PRINTER HAS PAPER PROBLEM
613 ;
614
615 40$: CLRL UCB$L_LP_OFLCNT(R5) ;Clear offline counter
616 ADDW3 #1,R1,UCB$W_BOFF(R5) ;Save number of characters remaining
617 50$: CLRW LP_CSR(R4) ;Disable printer interrupt
618 SETIPL UCB$B_FIPL(R5) ;Lower to fork level
619 TSTW LP_CSR(R4) ;Printer still have paper problem?
620 BLSS 55$ ;If LSS yes
621 MOVL #15,UCB$L_LP_TIMEOUT(R5) ;Set timeout value
622 BRB 10$ ; ...and start next output
```

8.5 Inducing a System Failure

If the operating system is not performing well and you want to create a dump you can examine, you must induce a system failure. Occasionally a device driver or other user-written, kernel-mode code can cause the system to execute a loop of code at a high priority, interfering with normal system operation. This can occur even though you have set a breakpoint in the code if the loop is encountered before the breakpoint. To gain control of the system in such circumstances, you must cause the system to fail and then reboot it.

If the system has suspended all noticeable activity (if it is "hung"), see the examples of causing system failures at the end of this section.

Meeting Crash Dump Requirements

The following requirements must be met before the VAX/VMS system can write a complete crash dump:

- 1 You must not halt the system until the console dump messages have been printed in their entirety and the memory contents have been written to the crash dump file. Be sure to allow sufficient time for these events to take place or make sure that all disk activity has stopped before using the console to halt the system.
- 2 There must be a crash dump file in SYS\$SYSTEM: named either SYSDUMP.DMP or PAGEFILE.SYS.

If the dump file is SYSDUMP.DMP, it must be at least four blocks larger than physical memory.

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If SYSDUMP.DMP is not present, VAX/VMS will write crash dumps to PAGEFILE.SYS. In this case, PAGEFILE.SYS must be at least 1004 blocks larger than physical memory, and the SYSBOOT parameter SAVEDUMP must be 1 (the default is 0).

3 The SYSBOOT DUMPTYPE parameter must be 1 (the default is 1).

Examples of How to Cause System Failures

The following examples show the sequence of commands needed to cause a system failure on each type of VAX processor. On most processors, the console command file CRASH.COM or CRASH.CMD performs these steps for you.

EXAMPLES

```
1 $ CTRL/P
  >>> H
  >>> E PSL
  >>> E/I/N:4 0
  >>> D PC FFFFFFFF
  >>> D PSL 1F0000
  >>> C
```

The preceding example shows how to cause a system failure on a VAX 11/725 or a VAX 11/730. CTRL/P automatically halts the processor.

```
2 $ CTRL/P
  >>> H
  >>> E P
  >>> E/I 0
  >>> E/I +
  >>> E/I +
  >>> E/I +
  >>> D/G F FFFFFFFF
  >>> D P 1F0000
  >>> C
```

The preceding example shows the steps needed to cause a system failure on a VAX 11/750. On these processors, the HALT command is a NOP; a CTRL/P automatically halts the processor.

```
3 $ CTRL/P
  >>> HALT
  HALTED AT 80008A89
  >>> EXAMINE PSL
  00000000
  >>> EXAMINE/INTERN/NEXT:4 0
  I 00000000 80008A89
  I 00000001 00000000
  I 00000002 00000000
  I 00000003 00000000
  I 00000004 80151E00
  >>> DEPOSIT PC = -1
  >>> DEPOSIT PSL = 1F0000
  >>> CONTINUE
  **** FATAL BUG CHECK, VERSION = X2M9 INVEXCEPTN, Exception while above ASTDEL or on interrupt stack
  CURRENT PROCESS = NULL
  REGISTER DUMP
  RO = 01F
  .
  .
```

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Description

The preceding example indicates how to cause a system failure on a VAX 11/782, VAX 11/785, or a VAX 11/780. Note that the value placed in the PC, 1F0000, sets the processor-access mode to kernel and the IPL to 31.

```
4 $ CTRL/P
    PC = 80008B1F
>>> D P 1F0000
>>> E P
    001F0000
>>> D/G F FFFFFFFF
>>> C
**** FATAL BUG CHECK, VERSION = 4.4 INVEXCEPTN, Exception while above ASTDEL or on interrupt stack
CURRENT PROCESS - NULL
REGISTER DUMP
.
.
.
```

The preceding example shows the steps needed to cause a system failure on a VAX 11/8200. On these processors, the HALT command is a NOP; a CTRL/P automatically halts the processor.

```
5 $ CTRL/P
>>> @CRASH
>>> SET QUIET OFF
>>> SET ABORT OFF
>>> HALT
    CPU stopped, INVOKED BY CONSOLE (CSM code 11)
    PC 80008B1F
>>> UNJAM
>>> E PSL
    U PSL 00000000
>>> E/I/N:4 O
    I 00 80000C40
    I 01 00000000
    I 02 00000000
    I 03 00000000
    I 04 00000000
>>> E SP
    G OE 80000C40
>>> E/vir/next:40 @
    P 04206840 00000000
    P 04206844 00000000
.
.
.
    P 0420693C 00000000
    P 04206940 00000000
>>> D PC FFFFFFFF
>>> D PSL 1F0000
>>> SET ABORT ON
>>> SET QUIET ON
**** FATAL BUG CHECK, VERSION = X4.4 INVEXCEPTN, Exception while above ASTDEL or on interrupt stack
CURRENT PROCESS NULL
REGISTER DUMP
.
.
.
```

The preceding example shows how to cause a system failure on a VAX 8600 or VAX 8650.

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Description

```
6 $ CTRL/P
>>> SET CPU CURRENT_PRIMARY
>>> HALT
?00      Left CPU -- CPU halted
        PC = 8001911C
>>> @CRASH
!
! COMMAND PROCEDURE TO FORCE VMS BUGCHECK VIA ACCESS VIOLATION
!
SET VERIFY
SET CPU CURRENT_PRIMARY      !SELECT PRIMARY
EXAMINE PSL                  !DISPLAY PSL
        M 00000000 00420008
EXAMINE/I/NEXT 4 0
        I 00000000 7FFE7DC8
        I 00000001 7FFE9518
        I 00000002 7FFEDE00
        I 00000003 0000F39C
        I 00000004 80873400
DEPOSIT PC FFFFFFFF          !SET PC=-1 TO FORCE ACCVIO
DEPOSIT PSL 41F0000          !SET IPL=31, INTERRUPT STACK
CONTINUE                     !EXECUTE FROM PC=-1
**** FATAL BUG CHECK, VERSION = X4.3 INVEXCEPTN, Exception while above ASTDEL
CURRENT PROCESS = STARTUP
REGISTER DUMP
        RO = 0000001F
.
.
```

The preceding example shows how to cause a system failure on a VAX 8800.

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Commands

COMMANDS The commands described in the following section can be used in analyzing a system dump or the running system.

@ (Execute Procedure)

Causes SDA to execute SDA commands contained in a file. Use this command to execute a set of frequently used SDA commands.

FORMAT

@*file-spec*

command parameter

file-spec

The name of a file that contains the SDA commands to be executed. The default file type is COM.

EXAMPLE

SDA> @USUAL

The execute-procedure command shown previously carries out the SDA commands contained in the file USUAL.COM, shown following.

```
SET OUTPUT LASTCRASH.LIS
SHOW CRASH
SHOW PROCESS
SHOW STACK
SHOW SUMMARY
EXIT
```

This command procedure makes the file LASTCRASH.LIS the destination for output generated by subsequent SDA commands. Next, the command procedure sends information on the crash, the process, the stacks, and a summary of information to that file. Then it exits from the utility.

The procedure need not exit from the utility at the end its execution. To continue using SDA interactively after the execution of a command procedure, omit the EXIT command from the file.

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ATTACH

ATTACH

Switches control of your terminal from your current process to another process in your job.

FORMAT

ATTACH *process_name*

command parameter

process_name

The name of the process to which you want to transfer control.

command qualifier

/PARENT

This qualifier specifies that control of your terminal is to be switched to the parent process of your current process. If you specify this qualifier, do not specify the *process_name* parameter in the ATTACH command.

EXAMPLES

1 SDA> ATTACH/PARENT

The ATTACH command attaches the terminal to the process that is the parent of your current process.

2 SDA> ATTACH DUMPER

The ATTACH command attaches the terminal to the process that is named DUMPER.

COPY

Copies the contents of the dump file to another file.

FORMAT

COPY *output-file-spec*

command parameter

output-file-spec

The name of the device, directory, and file to which SDA copies the dump file. The default file specification is SYS\$DISK:[default-dir]filename.DMP. You must supply the name of the file.

DESCRIPTION

Each time the system fails, the system copies all of physical memory and the hardware context of the current process into the file SYS\$SYSTEM:SYSDUMP.DMP (or the paging file), overwriting the contents of that file. To preserve a crash dump, you must use the COPY command to copy the contents of this file into another file. The contents of SYSDUMP.DMP are not affected by execution of the COPY command.

The command procedure SYSTARTUP.COM should include this command to ensure that a copy of the dump file is made each time the system fails.

If the paging file was used as a dump file instead of SYSDUMP.DMP, the pages of the paging file that contain the dump information are not available for paging until they are explicitly released. The COPY command releases the dump pages in the paging file so that they are available for system paging if process privilege has been set to change-mode-to-kernel (CMKRNL). If CMKRNL privilege has not been set, the copy operation succeeds but the blocks used by the dump in the paging file are not released. Note that once the COPY command has released the dump pages for paging use, the dump information in these pages may be lost. Subsequent dump analysis should be carried out on the copy of the dump file that was specified in the COPY command.

EXAMPLE

SDA> COPY SYS\$CRASH:SAVEDUMP

The COPY command copies the dump file into the file SYS\$CRASH:SAVEDUMP.DMP.

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DEFINE

DEFINE

Assigns a value to a symbol.

FORMAT

DEFINE*[/KEY] symbol [=] expression [/qualifier...]*

command parameters

symbol

The name you want to give the symbol. The symbol name can contain from 1 to 31 alphanumeric characters. See Section 6.2.5 for a discussion of SDA symbols.

If used with the */KEY* qualifier, this parameter is the name of the terminal key to be defined. A list of the keys you can define, and their names, follows:

Key name	Key designation
PF1	LK201, VT100, VT52 Red
PF2	LK201, VT100, VT52 Blue
PF3	LK201, VT100, VT52 Black
PF4	LK201, VT100
KP0,...,KP9	Keypad 0 - 9
PERIOD	Keypad period
COMMA	Keypad comma
MINUS	Keypad minus
ENTER	Keypad ENTER
UP	Up arrow
DOWN	Down arrow
LEFT	Left arrow
RIGHT	Right arrow
E1	LK201 Find
E2	LK201 Insert Here
E3	LK201 Remove
E4	LK201 Select
E5	LK201 Prev Screen
E6	LK201 Next Screen
HELP	LK201 Help
DO	LK201 Do
F7,...,F20	LK201 Function keys

When you define some keys as SDA commands, you must press CTRL/V before those keys to execute the commands. This is due to the escape sequences these keys generate, and the way the terminal driver handles those escape sequences. The following keys, when defined as SDA commands, must be preceded by a CTRL/V.

Key Name	Key Designation
LEFT	Left arrow
RIGHT	Right arrow
F7,...,F14	LK201 function keys

expression

An expression that defines the value of the symbol. See Section 6.2 for a discussion of SDA expressions.

When you use the /KEY qualifier, this parameter is the SDA command the key is to be defined as.

**command
qualifiers*****/[NO]ECHO***

Determines whether the equivalence string is displayed on the terminal screen after the defined key has been pressed. The /NOECHO qualifier functions only with the /TERMINATE qualifier. The default is /ECHO.

/[NO]IF_STATE=(state-name,...)

Specifies a list of one or more states, one of which must be in effect for the key definition to be in effect. The state name is an alphanumeric string. If you omit the /IF_STATE qualifier or use /NOIF_STATE, the current state is used. States are established with the /SET_STATE qualifier. If you specify only one state name, you can omit the parentheses. By including several state names, you can define a key to have the same function in all the specified states.

/KEY

Causes a key, rather than a symbol, to be defined. If you use this qualifier, the **symbol** parameter must be the name of a key on your terminal keyboard, and the **expression** parameter must be the SDA command that is to be executed when the key, followed by carriage return, is pressed.

/SET_STATE=state-name

Causes the key being defined to cause a key state change rather than executing an SDA command. Instead of the name of a terminal key, the **expression** parameter must be the name of a key state. The key state is any name that you want to define. For example, you can define the PF1 key to set the state to **gold** and use the /IF_STATE=GOLD qualifier to allow two definitions for the other keys, one in the **gold** state and one in the not-gold state. An example of this sort of multiple key definition is shown in example seven for this command.

/[NO]TERMINATE

Causes the key definition to include termination of the command, which causes SDA to execute the command when the defined key is pressed. Therefore, you do not have to press the RETURN key after you press the defined key if the /TERMINATE qualifier is specified.

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DESCRIPTION SDA evaluates the expression, then assigns its value to the symbol. If the symbol is already defined, the new value replaces the old one. The symbol remains defined until you exit from SDA.

Both the DEFINE and EVALUATE commands perform computations in order to evaluate expressions. DEFINE adds symbols to the SDA symbol table but does not display the results of the computation. EVALUATE displays the result of the computation but does not add symbols to the SDA symbol table.

EXAMPLES

1 SDA> DEFINE BEGIN = 80058E00
SDA> DEFINE END = 80058E60
SDA> EXAMINE BEGIN:END

In the preceding example, DEFINE defines two addresses, called BEGIN and END. These symbols serve as reference points in memory, defining a range of memory locations between which the EXAMINE command can examine.

2 SDA> DEFINE NEXT = @PC
SDA> EXAMINE/INSTRUCTION NEXT
00000454: MOVL 6(R1), R3

Symbol NEXT defines the address contained in the program counter. SDA represents nonprinting characters by a period (.) and puts quotation marks around ASCII text. Refer to Section 6.2.5 for a discussion of SDA symbols.

3 SDA> DEFINE VEC SCH\$GL_PCBVEC

This command assigns the value of a global symbol, SCH\$GL_PCBVEC, to the symbol VEC. Now you can use the symbol VEC to access the memory location or value represented by the global symbol.

4 SDA> DEFINE COUNT = 4
SDA> DEFINE RESULT = COUNT * COUNT
SDA> EVALUATE RESULT
Hex = 00000010 Decimal = 16

The preceding example assigns symbol COUNT the value 4 and then uses the symbol in an arithmetic expression.

5 SDA> DEFINE/KEY PF1 "SHOW STACK"
SDA> [PF1] SHOW STACK [RETURN]
Current operating stack

Current operating stack (KERNEL):
7FFE8DD4 00001703 SGN\$C_MAXPGFL+703
7FFE8DD8 80127920
7FFE8DDC 00000000
7FFE8DE0 00000000
7FFE8DE4 00000000
7FFE8DE8 00000000
7FFE8DEC 7FF743E4
7FFE8DF0 7FF743CC
SP => 7FFE8DF4 8000E646 EXE\$CMODEXEC+1EE
7FFE8DF8 7FFEDE96 SYS\$CMKRNL+006
7FFE8DFC 03C00000

The preceding example shows the DEFINE/KEY command being used to define PF1 as the SDA SHOW STACK command. When the PF1 key is pressed, SDA displays the command and waits for a carriage return to be typed.

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DEFINE

```
6 SDA> DEFINE/KEY/TERMINATE PF1 "SHOW STACK"
SDA> PF1 SHOW STACK
Current operating stack
-----
Current operating stack (KERNEL):
          7FFE8DD4 00001703      SGN$C_MAXPGFL+703
          7FFE8DD8 80127920
          7FFE8DDC 00000000
          7FFE8DE0 00000000
          7FFE8DE4 00000000
          7FFE8DE8 00000000
          7FFE8DEC 7FF743E4
          7FFE8DF0 7FF743CC
SP => 7FFE8DF4 8000E646      EXE$CMODEXEC+1EE
      7FFE8DF8 7FFEDE96      SYS$CMKRNL+006
      7FFE8DFC 03C00000
```

The preceding example shows the DEFINE/KEY command being used to define PF1 as the SDA SHOW STACK command. The use of the /TERMINATE qualifier causes SDA to execute the SHOW STACK command without waiting for a carriage return to be typed.

```
7 SDA> DEFINE/KEY/SET_STATE="GREEN" PF1 ""
SDA> DEFINE/KEY/TERMINATE/IF_STATE=GREEN PF3 "SHOW STACK"
SDA> PF1 PF3 SHOW STACK
Current operating stack
-----
Current operating stack (KERNEL):
          7FFE8DD4 00001703      SGN$C_MAXPGFL+703
          7FFE8DD8 80127920
          7FFE8DDC 00000000
          7FFE8DE0 00000000
          7FFE8DE4 00000000
          7FFE8DE8 00000000
          7FFE8DEC 7FF743E4
          7FFE8DF0 7FF743CC
SP => 7FFE8DF4 8000E646      EXE$CMODEXEC+1EE
      7FFE8DF8 7FFEDE96      SYS$CMKRNL+006
      7FFE8DFC 03C00000
```

The preceding example shows the definition of two keys. PF1 is defined as a key that sets a command state GREEN. The trailing pair of quotation marks are required syntax, indicating that no command is to be executed when this key is pressed.

The next line shows the definition of PF3 as the SHOW STACK command. The use of the /IF_STATE qualifier makes the definition valid only when the command state is GREEN when PF3 is pressed, which means that PF1 must be pressed first. The use of the /TERMINATE qualifier causes the command to execute as soon as the PF3 key is pressed. SDA does not wait for RETURN to be pressed to terminate the command line.

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EVALUATE

EVALUATE

Computes and displays the value of the specified expression in both hexadecimal and decimal. If the expression is equal to the value of a symbol in the SDA symbol table, that symbol is displayed. A finite number of such symbols is displayed by default. If no symbol with this value is known, the next lower valued symbol is displayed with an appropriate offset if the offset is small enough for the selected symbol to be considered useful.

Alternative evaluations of the expression are available with the use of the qualifiers defined for this command.

FORMAT

EVALUATE *expression*

command parameter

expression

The SDA expression to be evaluated. Section 6.2 defines SDA expressions.

command qualifiers

/CONDITION_VALUE

Displays the message that the \$GETMSG system service obtains for the value of the expression.

/PSL

Evaluates the specified expression in the format of a processor status longword.

/PTE

Interprets and displays the expression as a page table entry (PTE). The individual fields of the PTE are separated and an overall description of the PTE's type is provided.

/SYMBOLS

Specifies that all symbols that are known to be equal to the evaluated expression are to be displayed.

EXAMPLES

1 SDA> **EVALUATE -1**
Hex = FFFFFFFF Decimal = -1

The preceding example shows how the EVALUATE command evaluates a numeric expression and displays the value of that expression in hexadecimal and decimal notation.

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```
2 SDA> EVALUATE 1
Hex = 00000001 Decimal = 1 ACP$V_SWAPGRP
ACP$V_WRITECHK
EVT$_EVENT
.
```

The preceding example shows how the EVALUATE command evaluates a numeric expression and displays the value of that expression in hexadecimal and decimal notation. The preceding example also shows the symbols that have the displayed value. A finite number of symbols are displayed by default.

```
3 SDA> DEFINE TEN = A
SDA> EVALUATE TEN
Hex = 0000000A Decimal = 10 EXE$V_FATAL_BUG
SGN$C_MINWSCNT
TEN
```

The preceding example shows the definition of a symbol named TEN. The EVALUATE command then shows the value of the symbol.

Note that A, the value assigned to the symbol by the DEFINE command, could be a symbol. When SDA evaluates a string that can be either a symbol or a hexadecimal numeral, it first searches its symbol table for a definition of the symbol. If SDA finds no definition for the string, it evaluates the string as a hexadecimal number.

```
4 SDA> EVALUATE (((TEN * 6) + (-1/4)) + 6)
Hex = 00000042 Decimal = 66
```

The preceding example shows how SDA evaluates an expression of several terms, including symbols and rational fractions. SDA evaluates the symbol, substitutes its value in the expression, and then evaluates the expression. Note that the fraction $-1/4$ is truncated to 0. See Section 6.2 for a detailed discussion of expressions.

```
5 SDA> EVALUATE/CONDITION 80000018
%SYSTEM-W-EXQUOTA, exceeded quota
```

The preceding example shows the output of an EVALUATE/CONDITION command.

```
6 SDA> EVALUATE/PSL 04080009
CMP TP FPD IS CURMOD PRVMOD IPL DV FU IV T N Z V C
0 0 0 1 KERN KERN 08 0 0 0 0 1 0 0 1
```

The preceding example shows the output of an EVALUATE/PSL command. SDA interprets the entered value 04080009 as though it were a program status longword and displays the resulting field values in that longword.

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EVALUATE

7 SDA> EVALUATE/PTE ABCDFE

```
|31      28|27      24|23      20|19      16|15      12|11      8|7
|-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+----->
|1 | 0 1 0 1 | 0 |--| 1 1 |--| 0|                                ODFE
|-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+----->
Vld Prot= EW  M      Own=U  W                                Page Frame Number
      Page is Active and Valid
```

The preceding example shows the output of an EVALUATE/PTE command, which shows how SDA displays the page table entry and labels the fields. It also describes the page status.

EXAMINE

Displays the contents of a location or range of locations in physical memory. You can use location parameters to display specific locations or use qualifiers to display entire process and system regions of memory.

FORMAT

EXAMINE *[/qualifier[,...]] [parameter]*

command parameters

location

The location in memory to be examined. The default value of this parameter is initially 0, and subsequently is 4 plus the last address examined. Subsequent default addresses are affected by the */INSTRUCTION* qualifier.

m:n

A range of locations to be examined, from m to n.

m;n

A range of locations to be examined, starting at m and continuing for n bytes.

command qualifiers

/ALL

Examines all the locations in the program and control regions and parts of the writable system region, displaying the contents of memory in hexadecimal longwords. Do not specify parameters when you use this qualifier.

/CONDITION_VALUE

Examines the specified longword, displaying the message the \$GETMSG system service obtains for the value in the longword.

/INSTRUCTION

Translates the contents of the specified range of memory locations into MACRO-instruction format. If more than 16 bytes are specified in the range, */INSTRUCTION* processing may skip some bytes at the beginning of the range to ensure that SDA is properly synchronized with the start of each instruction. This synchronization may be overridden by specifying the */NOSKIP* qualifier with the */INSTRUCTION* qualifier.

The length of the instruction displayed varies according to the opcode and addressing mode. If SDA cannot decode a memory location, it issues the following message.

```
%SDA-E-NOINSTRAN, cannot translate instruction
```

When you use this qualifier with the EXAMINE command, the default address parameter is initially 0. SDA calculates subsequent default addresses by adding the length of the last instruction, including all operands, to the last address examined.

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/NOSKIP

Causes the EXAMINE/INSTRUCTION command not to skip any bytes in the range when translating the contents of memory into VAX MACRO instructions. The /NOSKIP qualifier causes the execution of the /INSTRUCTION qualifier by default.

/NOSUPPRESS

Inhibits the suppression of zeros when displaying memory with one of the following qualifiers: /ALL, /P0, /P1, /SYSTEM.

/P0

Displays the entire program region for the default process. Do not specify parameters when you use this qualifier.

/P1

Displays the entire control region for the default process. Do not specify parameters when you use this qualifier.

/PSL

Examines the specified longword, displaying its contents in the format of a processor status longword. This qualifier must precede any parameters used in the command line.

/PTE

Interprets and displays the specified longword as a page table entry (PTE). The display separates individual fields of the PTE and provides an overall description of the PTE's type.

/SYSTEM

Prints portions of the writable system region. Do not specify parameters when you use this qualifier.

/TIME

Examines the specified quadword, displaying its contents in the format of a system-date-and-time quadword.

DESCRIPTION

The EXAMINE command displays the contents of memory and registers. The following sections describe how to use this command.

Examining Locations

Use the location parameter to examine a specific location. A location can be represented by any valid SDA expression.

To examine a range of locations, designate starting and ending locations separated by a colon, for example, G40:G200; or specify a location and a length, in bytes, separated by a semicolon, for example, G400;16.

If a series of virtual addresses does not exist in physical memory, SDA prints a message specifying the range of addresses that were not translated:

```
SDA> EXAMINE 100:220
```


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EXAMINE

Examining the PSL

To examine the processor-status longword, use the /PSL qualifier with the EXAMINE command.

EXAMPLES

1 SDA> EXAMINE/SYSTEM
System Region Memory

00040039 8FBC0010 00040038 8FBC00108.....9... 80000000
.
.
.

The preceding example shows only the first two lines of the display generated by the EXAMINE/SYSTEM command. Note that in the dump, the fifth byte from the right contains the value 38. The ASCII value of 38, the character 8, is represented in the fifth character from the left in column 5.

Likewise, the thirteenth byte from the right in the dump columns contains the value 39. The ASCII value of 39 is 9, and 9 is represented in the ASCII column as the thirteenth character from the left.

2 SDA> EXAMINE/PSL G1268
CMP TP FPD IS CURMOD PRVMOD IPL DV FU IV T N Z V C
1 0 0 0 KERN KERN 00 0 1 0 1 1 1 0 0

The preceding example shows the display produced by the EXAMINE/PSL command. The address of the longword examined is 80001268.

EXIT

Performs two functions: it exits from an SDA display, and it exits from the utility.

FORMAT

EXIT

command parameters

None.

command qualifiers

None.

DESCRIPTION

If SDA is displaying information on a video display terminal such as a VT100, and if that display is more than one page of information, SDA displays the following message, called a screen overflow prompt, each time it reaches the bottom of a page:

Press RETURN for more.

SDA>

If you want to discontinue the current display at this point, type EXIT. (On printing terminals, SDA does not display a prompt at the bottom of each page.) If you want SDA to execute another command at this point, type that command. SDA discontinues the display as if you typed EXIT, and then executes the command you typed.

To stop SDA, type EXIT in response to the SDA> prompt.

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FORMAT

FORMAT

The FORMAT command displays a formatted list of the contents of a block of memory. It attempts to

- Characterize a range of locations as a systemwide data block
- Assign a symbol to each item of data within the block
- Display all the data within the block

FORMAT

FORMAT [*/qualifier*] *location*

command parameter

location

The location of the beginning of the data block. The location can be given as any valid SDA expression.

command qualifier

/TYPE=block-type

This qualifier indicates the symbolic prefix that corresponds to the type of block structure you want to format. This qualifier accepts as parameters the prefix of any VAX/VMS control block. See the READ command for a list of the symbol-table files supplied with the VAX/VMS operating system.

DESCRIPTION

The FORMAT command causes SDA to examine the byte at location+10 (decimal) or location+A (hexadecimal), which contains the type of the data block in most systemwide data blocks. If this byte contains a valid block type, SDA checks the next byte, at location+11, for the secondary block type. If byte 10 does not contain a valid block type, no further action is taken.

When SDA has determined the type of block, it tries to find the symbols that correspond to that type of block.

If SDA cannot find the symbols associated with the block type you have indicated or that it has found in the the block you specified, it issues the message:

```
No "block-type" symbols found to format this block
```

Not every data block contains its type byte at offset 10. If this byte is absent or contains information other than a block type, or the byte does not contain a valid block type, SDA produces the message:

```
Invalid block type in specified block
```

To format such a block, you must retype the FORMAT command, using the /TYPE= qualifier to designate a block type, or use the READ command to have SDA read the file that contains the definitions of the symbols; and then retype the FORMAT command.

The display produced by the FORMAT command shows, from left to right, the virtual address of each item within the block, its symbolic name, and its hexadecimal representation.

EXAMPLE

```
SDA> READ SYS$SYSTEM:SYSDEF.STB
SDA> FORMAT 800B81F0
800B81F0  UCB$L_FQFL          8000F10
          UCB$L_RQFL
          UCB$W_MB_SEED
          UCB$W_UNIT_SEED
800B81F4  UCB$L_FQBL          800026A8
          UCB$L_RQBL
800B81F8  UCB$W_SIZE          00E0
800B81FA  UCB$B_TYPE          10
800B81FB  UCB$B_FIPL          08
800B81FC  UCB$L_ASTQFL       800F80E0
          UCB$L_FPC
          UCB$T_PARTNER
800B8200  UCB$L_ASTQBL       8002CF80
          UCB$L_FR3
800B8204  UCB$L_FIRST        8002CA00
          UCB$L_FR4
          UCB$W_MSGMAX
          UCB$W_MSGCNT
```

The FORMAT command displays the data structure that begins at 800B81F0, a UCB. SDA uses the symbols in SYSDEF.STB to provide the names displayed next to each address displayed. If the field has more than one symbolic name, all such names are displayed. Thus, the field that starts at 800B8204 has three designations, UCB\$L_FIRST and UCB\$L_FR4, alternative names for the longword, and the two subfields, UCB\$W_MSGMAX and UCB\$W_MSGCNT.

The contents of each field appears to the right of the symbolic name of the field. Thus, the contents of UCB\$L_FIRST are 8002CA00.

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HELP

HELP

Displays information about the SDA utility, its operation, and the format of its commands. HELP has three command parameters. If you do not specify a parameter, HELP gives a brief description of SDA operations and displays SDA commands.

FORMAT

HELP [*parameter*]

command parameters

command-name

Specifies the command for which you need information.

EXPRESSION

Prints a description of SDA expressions.

OPERATION

Describes how to operate SDA at your terminal and by means of the site-specific startup procedure.

command qualifiers

None.

READ

Causes SDA to read the global symbols contained in the specified object module and to add those symbols to the SDA symbol table. SDA extracts no local symbols from the object module.

FORMAT

READ *[/qualifier[,...]] filespec*

command parameter

filespec

SYSDISK:[default-dir]filename.stb

The name of the device, directory, and file that contains the object module from which you want to copy global symbols. The object module file can be the output of a compiler or assembler, the output generated by the linker qualifier `/SYMBOL_TABLE`, or one of the object module files provided by VAX/VMS. Those files are the following:

File	Contents
DCLDEF.STB	The symbols for the DCL command language interpreter.
IMGDEF.STB	Symbols for the image activator.
NETDEF.STB	Symbols that define DECnet data structures.
RMS.STB	Global symbols for VAX RMS.
RMSDEF.STB	Symbols that define RMS internal and user data structures. Also, contains the RMS\$_xxx completion codes.
MP.STB	Symbols for multiprocessor code.
SCSDEF.STB	Symbols that define data structures for system communications services.
SYSDEF.STB	Symbols that define system data structures, including the I/O database.

command qualifier

/RELOCATE=expression

Add the value of **expression** to the value of each symbol in the symbol-table file to be read. This qualifier is useful for examining images that are position independent and are loaded at a base of zero.

DESCRIPTION

The READ command is useful in those cases where the symbols needed are defined in modules that are compiled and linked separately from the VAX/VMS executive.

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READ

EXAMPLES

1 SDA> READ SYS\$SYSTEM:SYSDEF.STB
SDA>

The READ command causes SDA to add all the global symbols in SYS\$SYSTEM:SYSDEF.STB to the SDA symbol table. Such symbols are useful when you use the FORMAT command, for example.

2 SDA> READ/RELOCATE=MP SYS\$SYSTEM:MP.STB
SDA>

This READ command causes SDA to read the file that contains the symbols defined for the code that supports multiprocessors. The /RELOCATE qualifier causes the values of those symbols to be the sum of the value of the symbol in the file and the value of symbol MP, the address of the beginning of the multiprocessor code.

REPEAT

Repeats execution of the last command issued. On terminal devices, the KPO key performs the same function as the REPEAT command.

FORMAT

command parameters

command qualifiers

REPEAT

None.

None.

DESCRIPTION

The REPEAT command is useful for stepping through a linked list of data structures, or for examining a sequence of memory locations.

EXAMPLE

```
SDA> FORMAT G10EO  
8000010EO  UCB$L_FQFL      80002428  
           UCB$L_FQBL
```

```
SDA> KPO  
SDA> FORMAT G10EO  
8000010EO  UCB$L_FQFL      80002428  
           UCB$L_FQBL
```

The FORMAT command displays a UCB. The REPEAT command causes SDA to display the FORMAT command, then reexecute it, displaying the contents of the UCB once more.

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SEARCH

SEARCH

Scans a range of memory locations for all occurrences of a longword value. SEARCH displays each location as each value is found.

FORMAT

SEARCH *range[=]expression*

command parameters

range

The range of memory locations that you want SDA to search. You can specify a range as a starting location and an ending location, separated by a colon (:), or as a location and a length, in bytes, separated by a semicolon (;).

expression

An expression. SDA evaluates this expression and searches the range of memory for that value. SDA only searches for values that are aligned on longword boundaries. For a definition of SDA expressions, see Section 6.2.

command qualifier

/LENGTH=length_specifier

The /LENGTH qualifier specifies the size of the expression value to be used for successful matching during searches of memory. The possible values of this qualifier are:

- LONGWORD — specifies that the expression for which to search is 4 bytes in length. This is the default value.
- WORD — specifies that the expression for which to search is 2 bytes in length.
- BYTE — specifies that the expression for which to search is 1 byte in length.

/STEPS=step_factor

The /STEPS qualifier controls the granularity of searching through the specified memory range. As each comparison of memory occurs, the value of this qualifier determines the next memory location to be searched. The possible step factors are as follows:

- QUADWORD — specifies a step factor of 8 bytes.
- LONGWORD — specifies a step factor of 4 bytes. This is the default value for the /STEPS qualifier.
- WORD — specifies a step factor of 2 bytes.
- BYTE — specifies a step factor of 1 byte.

EXAMPLES

1 SDA> **SEARCH GB81F0;500 60068**
Searching from 800B81F0 to 800B86F0 in LONGWORD steps for 0060068...
Match at 800B8210
SDA>

The SEARCH command found the value 0060068 in the longword at 800B8210.

2 SDA> **SEARCH/STEPS=BYTE 80000000;1000 6**
Searching from 80000000 to 80001000 in BYTE steps for 00000006...
Match at 80000A99
SDA>

The SEARCH command found the value 00000006 in the longword at 80000A99.

3 SDA> **SEARCH/LENGTH=WORD 80000000;2000 6**
Searching from 80000000 to 80002000 in LONGWORD steps for 0006...
Match at 80000054
Match at 800001EC
Match at 800012AC
Match at 800012B8
SDA>

The SEARCH command found the value 0006 in the longword locations 80000054, 800001EC, 800012AC, and 800012B8.

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SET LOG

SET LOG

Sends output from SDA to both your terminal and to a log file.

FORMAT

SET LOG *file-spec*

command parameter

file-spec

The name of the file in which you want SDA to log your commands and their output. The default device is SYS\$OUTPUT.

command qualifiers

None.

DESCRIPTION

The SET LOG command sends your commands and the output they produce to a log file. Your commands and the resulting displays are still displayed on your terminal. Note that any output redirected to another file by means of the SET OUTPUT command does not appear in the log file.

SET NOLOG

Stops SDA from logging your commands and their output.

FORMAT

SET NOLOG

**command
parameters**

None.

**command
qualifiers**

None.

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SET OUTPUT

SET OUTPUT

Redirects the SDA output to the file or device of your choice.

FORMAT

SET OUTPUT *file-spec*

command parameter

file-spec

The name of a device or the specification of a file to which you want SDA to send the output generated by your commands. The default file specification is SYS\$DISK:[default-dir] SYSDUMP.LIS.

DESCRIPTION

When you use the SET OUTPUT command to send the SDA output to a file or device, SDA continues displaying the SDA commands that you type but sends the output generated by those commands to the file or device you specified.

If you finish directing SDA commands to an output file and wish to return to interactive display, issue the command SET OUTPUT TT.

If you use the SET OUTPUT command to send the SDA output to a file, SDA remembers all the commands you use to show information until you either use another SET OUTPUT command or exit from the utility. SDA then builds a table of contents that identifies the displays you selected and places the table of contents at the beginning of the output file.

EXAMPLE

```
SDA> SET OUTPUT DUMPDISK:[CURRENT]SDA.TXT
SDA> SHOW CRASH
SDA> EXIT
$ TYPE DUMPDISK:[CURRENT]SDA.TXT
```

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```

```
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System crash information
```

```
Time of system crash: 06-JAN-1986 15:21:53.38
```

```
Version of system: VAX/VMS VERSION X4.4
```

```
VAXcluster node name: REDDOG
```

```
Process currently executing: CRAWDAD
```

```
Current image file: $254$DUSO:[SYS4.SYSCOMMON.] [SYSEXE]SDA.EXE;1
```

```
Current IPL: 0 (decimal)
```

```
General registers:
```

RO = 00000000	R1 = 00000000	R2 = 00000000	R3 = 00000000
R4 = 00000000	R5 = 00000000	R6 = 00000000	R7 = 00000000
R8 = 00000000	R9 = 00000000	R10 = 00000000	R11 = 00000000
AP = 00000000	FP = 00000000	SP = 00000000	PC = 00000000
PSL = 00000000			

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SET OUTPUT

```
Processor registers:      VAX 8600
POBR = 00000000      SBR = 00000000      ASTLVL = 00000000
POLR = 00000000      SLR = 00000000      SISR = 00000000
P1BR = 00000000      PCBB = 00000000      ICCS = 00000000
P1LR = 00000000      SCBB = 00000000      SID = 0404F00B
ICR = 00000000      SBISTS = 00000000      SBIERR = 00000000
TODR = 00000000      SILOCMP= 00000000      TMOADDRS=00000000
ACCS = 00000000      MAINT = 00000000
ISP = 00000000
KSP = 00000000
ESP = 00000000
SSP = 00000000
USP = 00000000
```

```
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System crash information
```

```
SBI silo contents:
00000000
00000000
00000000
00000000
00000000
00000000
00000000
00000000
00000000
00000000
00000000
00000000
00000000
00000000
00000000
00000000
00000000
00000000
```

The preceding example shows the SET OUTPUT command as used to redirect output from the SHOW CRASH command to a file called SDA.TXT on disk DUMPDISK in directory [CURRENT]. The TYPE command shows the contents of the file that SDA generates.

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SET PROCESS

SET PROCESS

The SET PROCESS command changes process context, making the specified process the SDA current process.

FORMAT

SET PROCESS *[/qualifier[,...]] [name]*

command parameter

name

The name of the process to become the SDA current process. The name is a string containing up to 15 uppercase alphabetic characters or numerals. The dollar sign (\$) and underscore (_) characters can be included in the string. The name must be a quoted string if other than the foregoing characters are included.

command qualifiers

/INDEX=nn

The index into the system's list of software process control blocks (PCB). Alternatively, this argument can be the process identification (EPID or PID) longword, from which SDA extracts the correct index.

/SYSTEM

The system process control block. The system PCB and process header (PHD) are dummy structures that are located in system space and contain the system working set, global section table, global page table, and other systemwide data.

DESCRIPTION

When you issue an SDA command, for example an EXAMINE command, SDA displays the contents of memory locations in its current process. To display any information about another process, you must change the current process with the SET PROCESS command.

This command allows you to examine the data structures associated with any process. The process specified by this command becomes the SDA current process until you either use another SET PROCESS command or exit from SDA.

When you invoke SDA to examine a system dump, the SDA current process is the process that was executing when the system failed. If you invoke SDA to examine the running system, the current process is your process.

SET PROCESS locates the information needed for the particular process but produces no output.

You must specify one of the three SET PROCESS parameters and qualifiers, or SDA generates a syntax error.

EXAMPLES

```
1 SDA> SHOW PROCESS
Process index: 0012 Name: NETACP Extended PID: 28C00092
-----
Process status: 00149001 RES,WAKEPEN,NOACNT,PHDRES,LOGIN
PCB address      800F1140 JIB address      801FDA00
PHD address      80477200 Swapfile disk address 01000F01
.
.

2 SDA> SHOW SUMMARY
Current process summary
-----
Extended Indx Process name Username State Pri PCB PHD Wkset
-- PID --
28C00080 0000 NULL COM 0 80002100 80001F88 0
28C00081 0001 SWAPPER HIB 16 800023C8 80002250 0
28C00483 0003 KLINGON KLINGON MWAIT 6 8010FEA0 803F8600 323
28C00085 0005 ERRFMT SYSTEM COM 10 800B5A10 8061DA00 69
28C00087 0007 OPCOM SYSTEM LEF 7 800C7000 80227A00 71
.
.

3 SDA> SET PROCESS ERRFMT
SDA> SHOW PROCESS
Process index: 0005 Name: ERRFMT Extended PID: 28C00085
-----
Process status: 00040001 RES,PHDRES
PCB address      800B5A10 JIB address      801E5C00
.
.
```

The first SHOW PROCESS command shows the current process to be NETACP. The SHOW SUMMARY command shows the names of the other processes that exist. The SET PROCESS command sets the current process to ERRFMT, as shown by the second SHOW PROCESS command.

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SET RMS

SET RMS

The SET RMS command changes the options shown by the SHOW PROCESS/RMS command.

FORMAT

SET RMS=*option*

command parameter

option

The list of RMS data structures to be shown by the SHOW RMS command. The options are listed in the table that follows. You can suppress output for a given option by preceding that option with NO.

The list can consist of one or more options. If the list contains more than one option, the list must be in parentheses, and options must be separated by commas.

The optional parameter **ifi** is an internal file identification. The default ifi is all the files the current process has opened.

List-item	Meaning
ALL[:ifi]	All control blocks, the default
ASB	Asynchronous-save block
BDB	Buffer-descriptor block
BDBSUM	BDB summary page
BLB	Buffer-lock block
BLBSUM	Buffer-lock summary page
CCB	Channel-control block
FCB	File-control block
FWA	File work area
GBDSUM	GBD summary page
GBH	Global buffer's header
IDX	Index descriptor
IFAB[:ifi]	Internal FAB
IFB[:ifi]	Internal FAB
IRAB	Internal RAB
IRB	Internal RAB
RLB	Record-lock block
TRC	Global-buffer trace information
WCB	Window-control block
*	Current list of options displayed by the SHOW RMS command

command qualifiers

None.

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SET RMS

DESCRIPTION The SET RMS command determines the data structures to be displayed by the SHOW PROCESS/RMS command. The options you specify with this command are the types of data structures that will be displayed, and any options not specified in the command will not be displayed. The initial list of options is that specified by the ALL parameter.

To add or delete an option from the current list to be displayed, without having to specify the entire list, use the asterisk parameter (*) and one or more other options. The asterisk parameter (*) represents the current list.

EXAMPLES

```
1 SDA> SET RMS=(WCB,CCB,BDB,ASB)
  SDA> SHOW PROCESS/RMS
```

```
Process index: 003C   Name: BIRDSONG   Extended PID: 21200BC
```

```
CCB Address: 7FFDAF40
```

```
UCB:          80159960          WIND:          802A6080
STS:          00
AMOD:         02      Executive
IOC:          0000          0.   DIRP:          00000000
```

```
WCB Address: 802A6080
```

```
WFL:          802B5B90          SIZE:          0060          96.
WLBL:         802B5B90          TYPE:          12
ACCESS:       03      READ,WRITE
PID:          0001003C          ORGUCB:         80159960
ACON:         0501      NOWRITE,WRITEAC,NOREAD
NMAP:         0001          1.   FCB:          802B5B80
STVBN:        00000001          1.   RVT:          00000000
```

VBN	RVN	Starting LBN	Count

1.	0	0002A5C7	173511. 0021 33.

```
ASB Address: 7FF74600
```

```
ARGCNT:       00          0.   BID:          0D          13.
FABRAB:       00000000          BLN:          2F          47.
ERR:          00000000          STKLEN:       008C          140.
SUC:          00000000          STKSIZ:       002C          44.

R6:           0000001E
R7:           00000003
R8:           000011BC
R10:          7FF73608
R11:          7FFE0270
```

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SET RMS

Saved Stack:

```
-----  
SP => 7FF74630 80046458  
      7FF74634 0000164E SGN$C_MAXPGFL+64E  
      7FF74638 80041F7E  
      7FF7463C 00000044  
      7FF74640 7FF741A0  
      7FF74644 00000001  
      7FF74648 7FF74150  
      7FF7464C 0000164E SGN$C_MAXPGFL+64E  
      7FF74650 80045D44  
      7FF74654 00000001  
      7FF74658 80045EDE
```

BDB Address: 7FF737A8

```
-----  
FLINK: 7FF74150 BID: 0C 12.  
BLINK: 7FF73648 BLN: 14 20.  
FLGS: 00  
USERS: 0000 0. BLB_PTR: 00000000  
CACHE_VAL: 00 0. BUFF_ID: 0000 0.  
SIZE: 2000 8192. NUMB: 0000 0.  
ADDR: 7FF74800 VBN: 00000000 0.  
VBNSEQNO: 00000000 WAIT: 00000000  
WK1: 00000000 CURBUFADR: 00000000  
REL_VBN: 00 0. PRE_CCTL: 00  
VAL_VBNS: 00 0. POST_CCTL: 00  
JNLSEQ: 00000000 00000000 00000000 00000000  
IOSB: 00000000  
      00000000
```

BDB Address: 7FF74150

```
-----  
FLINK: 7FF73648 BID: 0C 12.  
BLINK: 7FF737A8 BLN: 14 20.  
FLGS: 03 VAL,DRT  
USERS: 0000 0. BLB_PTR: 00000000  
CACHE_VAL: 00 0. BUFF_ID: 0000 0.  
SIZE: 2000 8192. NUMB: 0200 512.  
ADDR: 7FF76800 VBN: 00000001 1.  
VBNSEQNO: 00000000 WAIT: 00000000  
WK1: 00000805 CURBUFADR: 7FF77200  
REL_VBN: 05 5. PRE_CCTL: 00  
VAL_VBNS: 08 6. POST_CCTL: 00  
JNLSEQ: 00000000 00000000 00000000 00000000  
IOSB: 00000805  
      7FF77200
```

The preceding example shows a SET RMS command used to set the data structures that the SHOW PROCESS/RMS command displays. The subsequent SHOW PROCESS/RMS command displays the WCB, the CCB, the BDB, and the ASB.

```
2 SDA> SET RMS=(*,NOASB)  
SDA> SHOW PROCESS/RMS
```

Process index: 003C Name: WILLING Extended PID: 212000BC

CCB Address: 7FFDAF40

```
-----  
UCB: 80159960 WIND: 802A6080  
STS: 00  
AMOD: 02 Executive  
IOC: 0000 0. DIRP: 00000000
```

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SET RMS

WCB Address: 802A6080

```

-----
WFL:      802B5B90          SIZE:      0060      96.
WLBL:     802B5B90          TYPE:      12
ACCESS:   03              READ,WRITE
PID:      0001003C        ORGUCB:     80159960
ACON:     0501          NOWRITE,WRITEAC,NOREAD
NMAP:     0001            1.      FCB:      802B5B80
STVBN:    00000001       1.      RVT:      00000000
  
```

```

      VBN      RVN      Starting LBN      Count
-----
      1.      0      0002A5C7      173511.      0021      33.
  
```

BDB Address: 7FF737A8

```

-----
FLINK:    7FF74150          BID:      0C      12.
BLINK:    7FF73648          BLN:      14      20.
FLGS:     00
USERS:    0000            0.      BLB_PTR:   00000000
CACHE_VAL: 00            0.      BUFF_ID:   0000      0.
SIZE:     2000          8192.     NUMB:      0000      0.
ADDR:     7FF74800          VBN:      00000000      0.
VBNSQNO:  00000000          WAIT:     00000000
WK1:      00000000          CURBUFADR: 00000000
REL_VBN:  00            0.      PRE_CCTL:  00
VAL_VBNS: 00            0.      POST_CCTL: 00
JNLSEQ:   00000000 00000000 00000000 00000000
IOSB:     00000000
          00000000
  
```

BDB Address: 7FF74150

```

-----
FLINK:    7FF73648          BID:      0C      12.
BLINK:    7FF737A8          BLN:      14      20.
FLGS:     03              VAL,DRT
USERS:    0000            0.      BLB_PTR:   00000000
CACHE_VAL: 00            0.      BUFF_ID:   0000      0.
SIZE:     2000          8192.     NUMB:      0200      512.
ADDR:     7FF76800          VBN:      00000001      1.
VBNSQNO:  00000000          WAIT:     00000000
WK1:      00000A09          CURBUFADR: 7FF77A00
REL_VBN:  09            9.      PRE_CCTL:  00
VAL_VBNS: 0A            10.     POST_CCTL: 00
JNLSEQ:   00000000 00000000 00000000 00000000
IOSB:     00000A09
          7FF77A00
  
```

In the preceding example, the SET RMS command sets the data structures that the SHOW PROCESS/RMS command shows to be all the data structures currently selected for display [indicated by the asterisk parameter (*)] except the ASB (indicated by the NOASB parameter).

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SHOW CLUSTER

SHOW CLUSTER

Displays a view of the VAXcluster or the system communications services (SCS) cluster. You can display information for all of the nodes in a VAXcluster, a specific node in a VAXcluster, or information about the cluster as seen by the SCS.

FORMAT

SHOW CLUSTER

command parameters

None.

command qualifiers

/CSID=n

Displays cluster information for a specific VAXcluster member node. The value that you specify to obtain information for a specific node is that node's cluster system identification number (CSID).

You can find the CSID for a specific node in a VAXcluster by examining the first display on your output device after you issue a SHOW CLUSTER command.

If you want to obtain CSID information to indicate where a lock is mastered or held, use the SHOW LOCK command.

/SCS

Displays a view of the cluster as seen by the systems communications services (SCS).

DESCRIPTION

The SHOW CLUSTER command provides a series of displays to your default or designated output device.

The first display is a summary of the VAXcluster. This summary includes the number of votes required for a quorum, the number of votes currently available, the number of votes allocated to the quorum disk, and a status summary indicating whether or not a quorum is present. Additionally, the initial SHOW CLUSTER display lists the cluster system blocks (CSB) currently in operation; there is one CSB assigned to each node of the VAXcluster. For each CSB, the first SHOW CLUSTER display shows the node name, the associated CSB address, the CSID associated with the node, the number of votes (if any) provided by the node, its state, and its status. (For information about the state and status of nodes, see the description of the ADD command in the *VAX/VMS Show Cluster Utility Reference Manual*.)

The second display for the SHOW CLUSTER command describes the cluster block (CLUB). The information provided includes a list of flags that have been activated, a summary of quorum and vote information, and other data that applies to the VAXcluster from the perspective of the node for which the SDA is being run.

The next display provides information concerning the cluster failover control block (CLUFCB) and the cluster quorum disk control block (CLUDCB).

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Subsequent displays provide information for the individual cluster system blocks (that is, for the individual nodes) representing members of the VAXcluster; each CSB is a separate display. For each CSB, its state and flags are shown, as well as other information specific to each node. (Information about the flags for nodes of a VAXcluster is provided in the *VAX/VMS Show Cluster Utility Reference Manual*.)

You can obtain information about a specific node of the cluster with the /CSID=*n* qualifier, using the CSID value as shown in the first display of the SHOW CLUSTER command. (You can also obtain this information by using the SHOW LOCKS command.)

By default, the SHOW CLUSTER command provides a view of the VAXcluster from the perspective of the connection manager. When you use the /SCS qualifier, however, you will get a view of the cluster from the perspective of the port driver or drivers.

The initial display for the SHOW CLUSTER /SCS command provides an overview of processes that are listening for incoming SCS connect requests. For each of these processes, this first display shows its entry address, connection ID, process name, and explanatory text, if any.

The second display with the /SCS qualifier is a summary of SCS systems. These systems can include cluster members (as shown in the SHOW CLUSTER command), HSCs, UDAs, and other such devices. For each of these SCS systems, the system block (SB) address, node name, system type, system ID, and the number of connection paths are shown.

Subsequent displays provide detailed information for each of the system blocks and the associated path blocks. The system block displays include the maximum message and datagram sizes, local hardware and software data, and SCS poller information. Path block displays include information that describes the connection, including remote functions and other path-related data.

EXAMPLES

1 SDA> SHOW CLUSTER

```
      --- VAXcluster Summary ---
      Quorum  Votes  Quorum Disk Votes  Status Summary
      -----  -
           2      3          1          quorum

      --- CSB list ---
      Address  Node   CSID   Votes  State  Status
      -----  -
      803686F0  SOLLY 000100C8  1    open  member,qf_active
      80368650  GUS   000100C9  1    open  member,qf_active
      80367B90  DORIS 000100C5  1    open  member,qf_active
```

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```

--- Cluster Block (CLUB) 801C3F70 ---
Flags: 10080001 cluster,init,quorum

Quorum/Votes          2/3   Last transaction code      02
Quorum Disk Votes    1     Last trans. number        1128
Nodes                3     Last coordinator CSID     00000000
Quorum Disk          $255$DUA2  Last time stamp          26-MAR-1986
Found Node SYSID     0000000008A0      18:52:32
Founding Time       3-DEC-1985  Largest trans. id        00000466
                                00:01:44  Resource Alloc. retry    0
Index of next CSID   00D2     Figure of Merit           00000000
Quorum Disk Cntrl Block 80334E00  Member State Seq. Num    0190
Timer Entry Address  00000000  Foreign Cluster           00000000
CSP Queue           empty

```

```

-----
--- Cluster Failover Control Block (CLUFCB) 801C407C ---
Flags: 00000000

Failover Step Index  00000028  CSB of Synchr. System    803686F0
Failover Instance ID 00000466

```

```

--- Cluster Quorum Disk Control Block (CLUDCB) 80334E00 ---
State: 0001 qs_not_ready
Flags: 0000

Iteration Counter    0           UCB address  00000000
Activity Counter     0           TQE address  80419F40
Quorum file LBN      00000000  IRP address  803665A0

```

```

-----
--- SOLLY Cluster System Block (CSB) 803686F0 ---
State: 01 open
Flags: 02020302 member,cluster,qf_active,selected,status_rcvd

Quorum/Votes  2/1   Next seq. number  0247   Send queue  00000000
Quor. Disk Vote  1   Last seq num rcvd  0314   Resend queue 00000000
CSID            000100C8  Last ack. seq num  0247   Block xfer Q. empty
Eco/Version     0/12   Unacked messages  1     CDT address  801C28F0
Reconn. time    00000059  Ack limit        4     PDT address  801CEA20
Ref. count      2     Incarnation      18-DEC-1985  TQE address  00000000
Ref. time       18-DEC-1985  08:52:20  SB address  8041B6E0
                                08:53:58  Lock mgr dir wgt  1     Current CDRP 00000000

```

The preceding example shows the screen displays for the SHOW CLUSTER command. (Displays for nodes GUS and DORIS, similar to that for node SOLLY, are also included in the SHOW CLUSTER output but have been omitted from the preceding example.)

2 SDA> SHOW CLUSTER /CSID=000100C8

```

--- SOLLY Cluster System Block (CSB) 803686F0 ---
State: 01 open
Flags: 02020302 member,cluster,qf_active,selected,status_rcvd

Quorum/Votes  2/1   Next seq. number  0247   Send queue  00000000
Quor. Disk Vote  1   Last seq num rcvd  0314   Resend queue 00000000
CSID            000100C8  Last ack. seq num  0247   Block xfer Q. empty
Eco/Version     0/12   Unacked messages  1     CDT address  801C28F0
Reconn. time    00000059  Ack limit        4     PDT address  801CEA20
Ref. count      2     Incarnation      18-DEC-1985  TQE address  00000000
Ref. time       18-DEC-1985  08:52:20  SB address  8041B6E0
                                08:53:58  Lock mgr dir wgt  1     Current CDRP 00000000

```

The preceding example shows the use of the /CSID qualifier to obtain information about a specific node (in this instance, node SOLLY). The information displayed is identical to that shown for the specified node in the SHOW CLUSTER command.

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SHOW CLUSTER

SDA> SHOW CLUSTER /SCS

```

--- SCS Listening Process Directory ---
Entry Address      Connection ID      Process Name      Information
-----
80419D60           08EE0000          SCS$DIRECTORY
80419E20           08EE0001          VMS$VAXcluster
=====

```

```

--- SCS Systems Summary ---
SB Address      Node      Type      System ID      Paths
-----
8041A120       PINTO     HSC       00000000F10E   1
8041AA20       DORIS     VMS       0000000008A9   1
8041AB40       GUS       VMS       0000000008A1   1
8041B6E0       SOLLY     VMS       0000000008A0   1
8041D420       DODGER    HSC       00000000FOOF   1
=====

```

```

--- PINTO System Block (SB) 8041A120 ---
System ID      00000000F10E   Local software type      HSC
Max message size      66   Local software vers.     X25C
Max datagram size     62   Local software incarn.   8355FE00
Local hardware type    HS50   Local hardware type      008DA59A
Local hardware vers.  022702220222   SCS poller timeout      000F
Local hardware vers.  02202220222   SCS poller enable mask  01
=====

```

```

--- Path Block (PB) 8041C400 ---
Status: 0000
Remote sta. addr.    00000000000E   Remote port type        HSC
Remote state         00000000000E   Number of data paths    2
Remote hardware rev. 00000225      Cables state            A-OK B-OK
Remote func. mask    4F710200      Local state             OPEN
Resetting port       OE            Port dev. name          PABO
Handshake retry cnt. 1            SCS MSGBUF address     80390270
Msg. buf. wait queue empty        PDT address            801CEA20
=====

```

```

--- DORIS System Block (SB) 8041AA20 ---
System ID      0000000008A9   Local software type      VMS
Max message size      112   Local software vers.     V4.1
Max datagram size     576   Local software incarn.   A9D31760
Local hardware type    V780   Local hardware type      008DA59B
Local hardware vers.  010E0138207A   SCS poller timeout      000C
Local hardware vers.  000030030E10   SCS poller enable mask  00
=====

```

```

--- Path Block (PB) 80437E80 ---
Status: 0000
Remote sta. addr.    000000000002   Remote port type        CI780
Remote state         ENAB          Number of data paths    2
Remote hardware rev. 00040003      Cables state            A-OK B-OK
Remote func. mask    FFFFFFF0      Local state             OPEN
Resetting port       02            Port dev. name          PABO
Handshake retry cnt. 1            SCS MSGBUF address     8036FOB0
Msg. buf. wait queue empty        PDT address            801CEA20
=====

```

The preceding example shows a subset of a typical output for the SHOW CLUSTER /SCS command. In this system, there are three VAX/VMS nodes (DORIS, GUS, and SOLLY), and there are two HSCs (PINTO and DODGER). After the summary information in the first two screen displays, specific information for each system block and its associated path block is shown.

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SHOW CONNECTIONS

SHOW CONNECTIONS

Displays all active connections between systems communication services (SCS) processes. This information is retrieved from connection descriptor tables (CDTs). You can also display information for a specific CDT to obtain information about an individual connection.

FORMAT

SHOW CONNECTIONS

command parameters

None.

command qualifiers

/ADDRESS=n

Displays information for a specific CDT. The addresses for individual CDTs are listed in the CDT summary page, which is the first display provided for the SHOW CONNECTIONS command.

DESCRIPTION

The SHOW CONNECTIONS command provides a series of displays to your default or designated output device.

The first display is a summary of the connection descriptor tables (CDTs). For each CDT, the display lists its address, the local process with which the CDT is associated, the connection ID, its current state, and the remote node to which it is currently connected (if any). This display also shows the number of CDTs that are currently free and available to the system.

CDT addresses, in addition to being available from the summary page shown by the SHOW CONNECTIONS command, are also stored in many individual data structures related to SCS connections. These data structures include CDRPs and UCBs for class drivers that use SCS and CSBs for the connection manager.

Next, there is a display of detailed information for each CDT that is listed on the first page summary. This information includes the current state, the associated local process, the associated remote node and process (if any), and detailed connection information. (See Example 1 for a list of the information available.)

You can obtain information for the individual connection between two SCS processes by using the */ADDRESS=n* qualifier, obtaining the appropriate address either from the CDT summary table in the first display of the SHOW CONNECTIONS command or from an appropriate data structure.

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EXAMPLES

```

1  SDA> SHOW CONNECTIONS
      --- CDT Summary Page ---
CDT Address  Local Process      Connection ID  State  Remote Node
-----
801C2670    SCS$DIRECTORY      08EE0000      listen
801C2710    VMS$VAXcluster     08EE0001      listen
801C27B0    VMS$VAXcluster     08FF0002      open    DORIS
801C2850    VMS$DISK_CL_DRVR   08FD0003      open    PINTO
801C28F0    VMS$VAXcluster     08EF0004      open    SOLLY
801C2990    VMS$VAXcluster     08F00005      open    GUS
Number of free CDT's: 32

```

```

-----
      --- Connection Descriptor Table (CDT) 801C2670 ---
State: 0001 listen      Local Process:      SCS$DIRECTORY
Blocked State: 0000

Local Con. ID 08EE0000  Datagrams sent 0  Message queue  empty
Remote Con. ID 78A30017  Datagrams rcvd 0  Send Credit Q.  empty
Receive Credit 0  Datagram discard 0  PB address 80438300
Send Credit 1  Messages Sent 0  PDT address 801CEA20
Min. Rec. Credit 0  Messages Rcvd. 0  Error Notify 8022B816
Pend Rec. Credit 0  Send Data Init. 0  Receive Buffer 00000000
Initial Rec. Credit 0  Req Data Init. 0  Connect Data 00000000
Rem. Sta. 000000000000  Bytes Sent 0  Aux. Structure 00000000
Rej/Disconn Reason 0  Bytes rcvd 0
Queued for BDT 0  Total bytes map 0
Queued Send Credit 0

```

The preceding example shows the first display, the CDT summary page, and the first page of the detailed displays for each CDT. A similar description of each CDT is provided when you issue the SHOW CONNECTIONS command.

```

2  SDA> SHOW CONNECTIONS /ADDRESS=801C27B0
      --- Connection Descriptor Table (CDT) 801C27B0 ---
State: 0002 open      Local Process:      VMS$VAXcluster
Blocked State: 0000  Remote Node::Process:  DORIS::VMS$VAXcluster

Local Con. ID 08FF0002  Datagrams sent 0  Message queue  empty
Remote Con. ID 33440003  Datagrams rcvd 0  Send Credit Q.  empty
Receive Credit 4  Datagram discard 0  PB address 80437E80
Send Credit 5  Messages Sent 267  PDT address 801CEA20
Min. Rec. Credit 0  Messages Rcvd. 289  Error Notify 80227950
Pend Rec. Credit 1  Send Data Init. 0  Receive Buffer 8039AF80
Initial Rec. Credit 5  Req Data Init. 0  Connect Data 80367C0C
Rem. Sta. 000000000000  Bytes Sent 0  Aux. Structure 80367B90
Rej/Disconn Reason 0  Bytes rcvd 0
Queued for BDT 0  Total bytes map 0
Queued Send Credit 0

```

The preceding example shows the use of the /ADDRESS qualifier to obtain information about a specific connection. The address that you use to specify the table is obtained either from the CDT summary page or an appropriate data structure.

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SHOW CRASH

SHOW CRASH

Displays information concerning the operating system and the currently executing process. The display shows the following:

- Operating system and process information
- General and special register contents
- Processor and hardware maintenance register contents

FORMAT

SHOW CRASH

command parameters

None.

command qualifiers

None.

DESCRIPTION

The SHOW CRASH command displays information in three sections. The contents of each display is described here:

Operating System and Process Information

The first section of the SHOW CRASH display lists the following:

- Date and time of the crash
- Name and version number of the operating system
- Reason for the bugcheck
- Name of the currently executing process
- Specification of the file that contains the image executing in the process context (left blank if no image is executing)
- Interrupt priority level (in decimal) of the processor

Contents of General and Special Registers

The second section of the SHOW CRASH display lists the contents of the general registers and the special registers as follows:

- R0 through R11
- Argument pointer (AP)
- Frame pointer (FP)
- Stack pointer (SP)
- Program counter (PC)
- Processor status longword (PSL)

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Contents of Process and Hardware-Maintenance Registers

The third section of the SHOW CRASH display lists the contents of three sets of registers. The first set includes registers that store the vital statistics of the currently executing process, as well as registers that contain information used by the operating system. The second set of registers are pointers to the five stacks, those being the interrupt stack and the stack for each processor access mode. The third set of registers are used in hardware maintenance.

Each type of VAX processor supports a different set of hardware (processor) registers, but all have the same process and system registers, and the same stack pointers. In any case, the processor type is displayed.

The process and system registers are as follows:

- Program region base register (POBR)
- Program region length register (POLR)
- Control region base register (P1BR)
- Control region length register (P1LR)
- System region base register (SBR)
- System region length register (SLR)
- Process control block base register (PCBB)
- System control block base register (SCBB)
- Asynchronous system trap level (ASTLVL)
- Software interrupt summary register (SISR)
- Internal clock control/status register (ICCS)
- System identification register (SID)

The stack pointers are as follows:

- Interrupt stack pointer (ISP)
- Kernel-mode stack pointer (KSP)
- Executive-mode stack pointer (ESP)
- Supervisor-mode stack pointer (SSP)
- User-mode stack pointer (USP)

EXAMPLE

```
SDA> SHOW CRASH
```

```
System crash information
```

```
-----
```

```
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```

```
System crash information
```

```
Time of system crash: 06-JAN-1986 15:21:53.38
```

```
Version of system: VAX/VMS VERSION X4.4
```

```
VAXcluster node name: REDDOG
```

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SHOW CRASH

Process currently executing: CRAWDAD

Current image file: \$254\$DUSO:[SYS4.SYSCOMMON.] [SYSEXE]SDA.EXE;1

Current IPL: 0 (decimal)

General registers:

R0 = 00000000	R1 = 00000000	R2 = 00000000	R3 = 00000000
R4 = 00000000	R5 = 00000000	R6 = 00000000	R7 = 00000000
R8 = 00000000	R9 = 00000000	R10 = 00000000	R11 = 00000000
AP = 00000000	FP = 00000000	SP = 00000000	PC = 00000000
PSL = 00000000			

Processor registers:

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POBR = 00000000	SBR = 00000000	ASTLVL = 00000000
POLR = 00000000	SLR = 00000000	SISR = 00000000
P1BR = 00000000	PCBE = 00000000	ICCS = 00000000
P1LR = 00000000	SCBE = 00000000	SID = 0404FO0B
ICR = 00000000	SBISTS = 00000000	SBIERR = 00000000
TODR = 00000000	SILCMP= 00000000	TMOADDRS=00000000
ACCS = 00000000	MAINT = 00000000	
ISP = 00000000		
KSP = 00000000		
ESP = 00000000		
SSP = 00000000		
USP = 00000000		

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System crash information

SBI silo contents:

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The SHOW CRASH command displays the preceding information for a running system.

SHOW DEVICE

Displays a list of all data structures associated with a device.

FORMAT

SHOW DEVICE [*device-name*]

command parameter

device-name

The name of the device for which you want information. If you do not include this parameter, this command displays information on all devices in the system.

command qualifier

/ADDRESS=n

The address of the UCB of the device of interest. Using this qualifier with the SHOW DEVICE command is equivalent to specifying the name of the device with the command.

DESCRIPTION

The SHOW DEVICE command displays three data structures listed next:

- The device data block
- The controller data structure
- The unit data structures

If you provide the name of a device as a parameter to this command, the information is displayed for that device. In a cluster environment, the information is displayed for each device in the cluster with that name. If you provide no parameter, the information is displayed for every device configured in the system.

If you omit part of a device name, all devices that have a part of their device name matching that which you specified are displayed by the SHOW DEVICE command.

For a detailed explanation of I/O data structures displayed by SDA, consult the manual entitled *Writing a Device Driver for VAX/VMS*.

EXAMPLES

1

```
SDA> SHOW DEVICE VTA100
```

```
I/O data structures
```

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```

```
VTA100 ==> LTA83
```

```
VT200_Series
```

```
UCB address: 802292B0
```

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Device status: 00010010 online,deleteucb
```

```
Characteristics: 0C040007 rec,ccl,trm,avl,idv,odv
```

```
00000200 nnml
```

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```
Owner UIC [000001,000004] Operation count 491 ORB address 80229360
PID 00060079 Error count 0 DDB address 804A3ECO
Class/Type 42/6E Reference count 9 DDT address 80288743
Def. buf. size 80 BOFF 0273 CRB address 804A6AA0
DEVDEPEND 180013A0 Byte count 0200 AMB address 80240910
DEVDEPN2 7BF2100C SVAPTE 8025BAC0 I/O wait queue empty
FIPL/DIPL 08/08 DEVSTS 0000
```

*** I/O request queue is empty ***

SDA>

2 SDA> SHOW DEVICE DUSO

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ACTI\$DUSO RA81 UCB address: 80000FF8

Device status: 00001810 online,valid,unload
Characteristics: 1C4D4008 dir,fod,shr,avl,mnt,elg,idv,odv,rnd
00000221 clu,mscp,nnm

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Owner UIC [000001,000001] Operation count 95308 ORB address 80000FA0
PID 00000000 Error count 0 DDB address 80000F5C
Alloc. lock ID 00030002 Reference count 110 DDT address 801D5548
Alloc. class 254 Online count 0 VCB address 80195C30
Class/Type 01/15 Retry cnt/max 8/8 CRB address 803943E0
Def. buf. size 512 BOFF 0000 PDT address 802C7020
DEVDEPEND 04E00E33 Byte count 0200 CDDB address 80178AD0
DEVDEPN2 00000000 SVAPTE 81B1BFA0 I/O wait queue empty
FIPL/DIPL 08/08 DEVSTS 0004
RWAITCNT 0000
```

--- Primary Class Driver Data Block (CDDB) 80178AD0 ---

```
Status: 1040 alcls_set,bshadow
Controller Flags: 80D6 cf_shadw,cf_mlths,cf_this,cf_misc,cf_attn,cf_replc
Allocation class 254 CDRP Queue 80337830 DDB address 80000F5C
System ID 0000FFF2 Restart Queue empty CRB address 803943E0
0000 DAP Count 3 CDDB link 8019C020
Contrl. ID 0000FFF2 Contr. timeout 75 PDT address 802C7020
01010000 Reinit Count 4 Original UCB 00000000
Response ID E7BA0020 Wait UCB Count 0 UCB chain 8017B0B0
MSCP Cmd status 00001879
```

I/O request queue

```
-----
STATE CDRP/IRP PID MODE CHAN FUNC WCB EFN AST IOSB STATUS
C 80334ECO 00060028 K 0000 000C 80395F40 6 80CA9888 0040FE10 0016
readpblk func,pagio,virtual
C 8032A4F0 0005005E E 0000 000C 80398E80 6 80B37068 0040FE70 0016
readpblk func,pagio,virtual
C 80323740 00050047 E 0000 000C 803A3920 6 80A59410 0040FE50 0016
readpblk func,pagio,virtual
```

--- Volume Control Block (VCB) 80195C30 ---

```
Volume: CERIUM Lock name: CERIUM
Status: AO extfid,system
Status2: 15 writethru,mountver,nohighwater
Shadow status: 21 shadmast,mvbegin
Mount count 1 Rel. volume 0 AQB address 803A8480
Transactions 93 Max. files 222768 RVT address 80000FF8
Free blocks 199020 Rsvd. files 9 FCB queue 803081C0
Window size 7 Cluster size 1 Cache blk. 80195D20
Vol. lock ID 00010004 Def. extend sz. 5 Shadow mem. FL 803A88A0
Block. lock ID 02F20206 Record size 0 Shadow mem. BL 803A89C0
Shadow lock ID 00010005
```

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I/O data structures

--- Shadow set \$254\$DUSO member summary ---

Volume: CERIUM

Physical unit	Primary path	Secondary path	Member status
\$254\$DUA200	ACTI	ANTIM	Shadow set member
\$254\$DUA201	ACTI	ANTIM	Copy in progress

--- ACP Queue Block (aqb) 803A8480 ---

ACP requests are serviced by the Extended QIO Processor (XQP)

Status: 14 defsys,xqioproc

Mount count	ACP type	f11v2	Request queue	empty
26	ACP class	0		

*** ACP request queue is empty ***

ACTI\$DUA200 (ANTIM\$DUA200) RA81 UCB address: 8017C3F0

Device status: 00000010 online

Characteristics: 1C4D4108 dir,rct,fod,shr,avl,mnt,elg,idv,odv,rnd
00000271 clu,2p,mscp,ssm,nnm

Owner UIC [000000,000000]	Operation count	6	ORB address	8017C4F6
PID 00000000	Error count	1	DDB address	80397620
Alloc. lock ID 01A101F1	Reference count	1	DDT address	801D5548
Alloc. class 254	Online count	0	VCB address	803A88A0
Class/Type 01/15	BOFF	0000	CRB address	803943E0
Def. buf. size 512	Byte count	0000	PDT address	802C7020
DEVDEPEND 04E00E33	SVAPTE	00000000	CDDB address	80178AD0
DEVDEPN2 00000000	DEVSTS	0004	2P_CDDB addr.	8019DD80
FIPL/DIPL 08/08	RWAITCNT	0000	2P_DDB address	80397440
			I/O wait queue	empty

*** I/O request queue is empty ***

--- Volume Control Block (VCB) 803A88A0 ---

Volume: CERIUM (Member of shadow set \$254\$DUSO)

Status: 00

Copy sequence number: 0000 Copy type: 0 nocpy

Transactions 1	UCB address	8017C3F0	Virtual unit UCB	80000FF8
Relative volume 0	Work area	00000000	Virtual unit VCB	80195C30
AQB address 803A8480		00000000	Shadow member FL	803A89C0
RVT address 80000FF8			Shadow member BL	80195CC8

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I/O data structures

ACTI\$DUA201 (ANTIM\$DUA201) RA81 UCB address: 8017C550

Device status: 00000010 online

Characteristics: 1C4D4108 dir,rct,fod,shr,avl,mnt,elg,idv,odv,rnd
00000271 clu,2p,mscp,ssm,nnm

Owner UIC [000000,000000]	Operation count	9	ORB address	8017C656
PID 00000000	Error count	0	DDB address	80397620
Alloc. lock ID 00010008	Reference count	1	DDT address	801D5548
Alloc. class 254	Online count	0	VCB address	803A89C0
Class/Type 01/15	BOFF	0000	CRB address	803943E0
Def. buf. size 512	Byte count	0200	PDT address	802C7020
DEVDEPEND 04E00E33	SVAPTE	81B19AAC	CDDB address	80178AD0
DEVDEPN2 00000000	DEVSTS	0004	2P_CDDB addr.	8019DD80
FIPL/DIPL 08/08	RWAITCNT	0000	2P_DDB address	80397440
			I/O wait queue	empty

*** I/O request queue is empty ***

--- Volume Control Block (VCB) 803A89C0 ---

Volume: CERIUM (Member of shadow set \$254\$DUSO)

Status: 08 reblng

Copy sequence number: 000A Copy type: 1 copy

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System Dump Analyzer

SHOW DEVICE

The preceding example shows the display produced by the command SHOW DEVICE when a 4-character device name mnemonic (DUS0) is provided.

3 SDA> SHOW DEVICE DJ

I/O data structures

```
-----
DDB list
-----
Address      Controller  ACP      Driver    DPT      DPT size
-----
808CC5C0     ANTI$DJA    F11XQP   DUDRIVER  8055F000 60F8
808CC7A0     ANTI$DJS    F11XQP   DUDRIVER  8055F000 60F8
80900640     CERIU$DJA   F11XQP   DUDRIVER  8055F000 60F8
80903820     NOBI$DJA    F11XQP   DUDRIVER  8055F000 60F8
80904AEO     SELE$DJA    F11XQP   DUDRIVER  8055F000 60F8
```

I/O data structures

Controller: ANTI\$DJA

```
-----
--- ANTI System Block (SB) 808C9080 ---
System ID      00000000FFF2   Local software type   HSC
Max message size      66   Local software vers.   X5J6
Max datagram size     62   Local software incarn. CE9DD540
Local hardware type    HS50   O08E6F20
Local hardware vers.  02270222031A   SCS poller timeout    0007
                   022702270227   SCS poller enable mask 01
```

I/O data structures

```
-----
--- Path Block (PB) 808EDCEO ---
Status: 0008
Remote sta. addr.    00000000000B   Remote port type      HSC
Remote state         00000000000B   Number of data paths  2
Remote hardware rev. 00000225   Cables state          A-OK B-OK
Remote func. mask    4F710200   Local state           OPEN
Reseting port        0B   Port dev. name        PAAO
Handshake retry cnt. 1   SCS MSGBUF address    80739670
Msg. buf. wait queue empty   PDT address           806FA820
```

```
-----
--- Device Data Block (DDB) 808CC5C0 ---
Driver name      DUDRIVER   Alloc. class      254   DDT address  8055F088
ACP ident        F11        SB address        808C9080   CONLINK addr. 808CC7A0
ACP class        PACK       UCB address       804D13E0
```

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SHOW DEVICE

I/O data structures

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The preceding example shows the display produced by allowing SHOW DEVICE to match all devices that use DJ as part of their name.

System Dump Analyzer

SHOW HEADER

SHOW HEADER

Displays the header of the dump file.

FORMAT

SHOW HEADER

command parameters

None.

command qualifiers

None.

DESCRIPTION

The display produced by the SHOW HEADER command contains information taken from the header of the dump file.

EXAMPLE

SDA> SHOW HEADER

Dump file header

```
-----  
00000000 00000000 00000000 00000000 00000000 00000000 00000001 00000000 ..... 000006B0  
00000000 00000000 00000000 00000000 00000000 00000000 00000000 00000000 ..... 000006D0  
00000000 00000000 00000000 00000000 00000000 00000000 00000000 00000000 ..... 000006F0  
00000000 00000000 00000000 00000000 00000000 00000000 00000000 00000000 ..... 00000710  
.  
.  
00000000 00000000 00000000 00000000 00000000 00000000 00000000 00000000 ..... 00000C70  
00000000 00000000 00000000 00000000 00000000 00000000 00000000 00000000 ..... 00000C90
```

The preceding example shows the display produced by the SHOW HEADER command.

SHOW LOCK

Displays a list of all locks in the system.

FORMAT

SHOW LOCK *lockid*

command parameters

lockid
The number of a specific lock.

command qualifier

/ALL
Lists all locks that exist in the system.

DESCRIPTION

The display produced by the SHOW LOCK command contains information on each lock in the system. The display is formatted in the same way as the display produced by the command SHOW RESOURCE/LOCKID.

EXAMPLE

```
SDA> SHOW LOCK
Lock database
-----
Lock id: 00010001  PID: 00000000  Flags: NOQUEUE SYNCSTS SYSTEM
Par. id: 00000000  Granted at  EX      CVTSYS
Sublocks: 4
LKB: 801F4F00
Resource: 5F535953 24535953  SYS$SYS_  Status: NOQUOTA
Length 16 00000000 00A94449  ID.....
Exec. mode 00000000 00000000  ....
System 00000000 00000000  ....

Lock id: 00020002  PID: 00000000  Flags: VALBLK CONVERT SYNCSTS
Par. id: 00000000  Granted at  CR      NOQUOTA CVTSYS
Sublocks: 0
LKB: 80201680
Resource: 4C45445F 24535953  SYS$_DEL  Status: NOQUOTA
Length 17 30414244 24494850  PHI$DBAO
Kernel mode 00000000 0000003A  :.....
System 00000000 00000000  ....

.
.
.
```

The preceding example shows the display produced by the command SHOW LOCK.

System Dump Analyzer

SHOW PAGE_TABLE

SHOW PAGE_TABLE

Displays a list of system page table entries that map virtual pages to physical pages. You can display a range of page table entries or the entire system page table.

The SHOW PAGE_TABLE command displays information in 132 columns, rather than 80 columns, and so is best suited for use at printing terminals, at video terminals that can display 132 columns, or as input for a file that can be printed later on a line printer.

FORMAT

SHOW PAGE_TABLE *[/qualifier[,...]] [range]*

command parameter

range

The range of virtual addresses for which SDA is to display page table entries. You can specify a range as a beginning address and an ending address, separated by a colon (:); or you can specify the range as an address and the number of bytes following that address, separated by a semicolon (;).

command qualifiers

/GLOBAL

Lists the global page table.

/SYSTEM

Lists the system page table.

/ALL

Lists both the global and system page tables. This is the default qualifier.

DESCRIPTION

The SHOW PAGE_TABLE command displays the contents of the system page table and the global page table. You can display a range of page table entries or the entire system page table.

This command displays information in 15 columns that form two groups. The left group contains information on virtual pages. The right group contains information on physical pages.

The left group contains information obtained from the system page table. Each line of this display lists characteristics of a virtual page as well as information needed for address translation. The headings of the columns listed in the display produced by the SHOW PAGE_TABLE command are explained in the following text.

System Dump Analyzer

SHOW PAGE_TABLE

Value	Meaning																		
ADDRESS	The system virtual address that marks the base of a virtual page.																		
SVAPTE	The system virtual address of the page table entry that maps this virtual page.																		
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Type	Type of virtual page. There are eight types.																		
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If the virtual page has been mapped to a physical page, the right-hand section of the display includes information from the page frame number (PFN) database. Otherwise, the section is left blank. SDA organizes the 18 bytes of PFN data into 9 categories:

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SHOW PAGE_TABLE

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STATE	The byte that describes the state of the physical page.																		
TYPE	The byte that describes the type of virtual page. The types in this column are the hexadecimal codes that stand for the page types that appear in column PAGTYP of this display, described previously.																		
REFCOUNT	A count of the processes that are referencing this PFN. If the value of REFCOUNT is nonzero, the page is used in at least one working set. If the value is zero, the page is not used in any working set.																		
BAK	The address of the backing store; location on a disk device to which pages can be written.																		
SVAPTE	The virtual address associated with this page frame. The two SVAPTEs indicate a valid link between physical and virtual address space.																		
FLINK	The forward link within PFN database that points to the next virtual page; this longword also acts as the count of the number of processes that are sharing this global section.																		
BLINK	The backward link within PFN database; also acts as an index into the working set list.																		

SDA indicates pages are inaccessible by displaying the following message, where n represents the number of inaccessible pages.

(----- n NULL PAGES)

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SHOW PAGE_TABLE

EXAMPLE

SDA> SHOW PAGE_TABLE

System page table

ADDRESS	SVAPTE	PTE	TYPE	PROT	BITS	PAGTYP	LOC	STATE	TYPE	REFCNT	BAK	SVAPTE	FLINK	BLINK
80000000	80B91C00	F8001ADD	VALID	UR		K								
80000200	80B91C04	F8001ADE	VALID	UR		K								
80000400	80B91C08	F8001ADF	VALID	UR		K								
80000600	80B91C0C	F8001AE0	VALID	UR		K								
80000800	80B91C10	F8001AE1	VALID	UR		K								
80000A00	80B91C14	EC001AE2	VALID	UREW	M	K								
80000C00	80B91C18	EC001AE3	VALID	UREW	M	K								
80000E00	80B91C1C	F4001AE4	VALID	URKW	M	K								
80001000	80B91C20	F4001AE5	VALID	URKW	M	K								
80001200	80B91C24	F4001AE6	VALID	URKW	M	K								
80001400	80B91C28	F4001AE7	VALID	URKW	M	K								
80001600	80B91C2C	F4001AE8	VALID	URKW	M	K								
80001800	80B91C30	F0001AE9	VALID	URKW		K								

The preceding example shows the output produced by the SHOW PAGE_TABLE command.

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SHOW PFN_DATA

SHOW PFN_DATA

Displays information that is contained in the page lists and in the PFN database. This information is used in translating physical page addresses to virtual page addresses.

FORMAT

SHOW PFN_DATA [*number*]

command parameter

number

The number of the physical page for which you want to display information.

command qualifiers

/ALL

Displays all of the previous information. This is the default for the command.

/BAD

Displays the bad-page list.

/FREE

Displays the free-page list.

/MODIFIED

Displays the modified-page list.

/SYSTEM

Displays the PFN database. The information is ordered by page frame number, starting at PFN zero.

DESCRIPTION

The SHOW PFN_DATA command causes SDA to display information regarding the specified PFN. The display consists of the information listed in the example following.

```
SDA> SHOW PFN_DATA 1000
PFN  PTE ADDRESS  BAK  REFCNT FLINK BLINK  TYPE  STATE
-----
1000  8034AA50  0040FFB8   1   0000 0236  00 PROCESS  07 ACTIVE
```

The items of information are the following:

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SHOW PFN_DATA

Item	Contents																		
PFN	The page-frame number, the number of this physical page																		
PTE ADDRESS	The system virtual address of the page table entry that describes the virtual paged mapped into this physical page																		
BAK	The place to find information on this page when all links to this PTE are broken, either an index into a process section table or the number of a virtual block in the paging file																		
REFCNT	The number of references being made to this page																		
FLINK	The address of the next page in the list in which this virtual page currently resides																		
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TYPE	The type of virtual page, one of the following: <table border="1" style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse; margin-top: 5px;"> <thead> <tr> <th style="text-align: left;">Code</th> <th style="text-align: left;">Meaning</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr><td>0</td><td>Process page</td></tr> <tr><td>1</td><td>System page</td></tr> <tr><td>2</td><td>Global, read-only page</td></tr> <tr><td>3</td><td>Global, read/write page</td></tr> <tr><td>4</td><td>Process page-table page</td></tr> <tr><td>5</td><td>Global page-table page</td></tr> </tbody> </table>	Code	Meaning	0	Process page	1	System page	2	Global, read-only page	3	Global, read/write page	4	Process page-table page	5	Global page-table page				
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EXAMPLE

SDA> SHOW PFN_DATA
Free page list

Count: 225
Low limit: 57
High limit: 1073741824

PFN	PTE ADDRESS	BAK	REFCNT	FLINK	BLINK	TYPE	STATE

1329	8047AF3C	03002A83	0	1963	0000	00 PROCESS	00 FREELST

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```
1963 8047AB10 03002A43 0 017C 1329 00 PROCESS 00 FREELST
017C 8047B3F8 03002A84 0 14B4 1963 00 PROCESS 00 FREELST
14B4 8047B464 03002A85 0 1529 017C 00 PROCESS 00 FREELST
1529 8047AA34 03002A87 0 1485 14B4 00 PROCESS 00 FREELST
1485 8047AC80 030010B3 0 1707 1529 00 PROCESS 00 FREELST
```

```
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.  
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```

The SHOW PFN_DATA command displays the information shown previously for the free-page list, the modified-page list, and the bad-page list, and then all of the PFN database, including the first three lists.

SHOW POOL

Displays the contents of the look-aside (SRP, IRP, and LRP) pools, the nonpaged dynamic storage pool, and the paged dynamic storage pool. You can display part or all of each pool.

FORMAT

SHOW POOL [*range*]

command parameter

range

The range of virtual addresses that you want to display. You can specify a range as two addresses separated by a colon (:), or as an address and a length, in bytes, separated by a semicolon (;).

command qualifiers

/ALL

Displays the entire contents of memory. This is the default.

/FREE

Displays the look-aside, paged, and nonpaged pools and shows the blocks that are currently available to the system.

/HEADER

Displays only the first 16 longwords of each block within the pool.

/IRP

Displays the pool of I/O request packets. Displays all blocks currently allocated (in use) within this pool.

/LRP

Displays the pool of long I/O request packets. Formats all blocks currently allocated (in use) within this pool.

/NONPAGED

Displays the nonpaged dynamic storage pool currently in use by the system.

/PAGED

Displays the paged dynamic storage pool currently in use by the system.

/SRP

Displays the pool of short I/O request packets. Formats all blocks currently allocated (in use) within this pool.

/SUMMARY

Displays a summary of the pools or portions of pool specified by the qualifiers shown previously. This qualifier shows the different types of blocks present, the total number of each, the decimal number of bytes in each block, and the number of bytes used in each pool.

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SHOW POOL

/TYPE=block-type

Displays the blocks within pool that are of the specified type.

DESCRIPTION The information contained in each of the three pools is shown in the same format. The contents of the display, from left to right, are listed as follows:

Column	Contents
Block type	The type of information contained in the block. SDA tries to interpret the block type; if it is unable to do so, SDA displays the block type as UNKNOWN.
Starting address	The virtual address that marks the start of the block.
Block size	The number (decimal) of bytes of memory allocated to the block. The block size is fixed in the SRP, IRP, and LRP pools, and is variable in the paged and nonpaged pools.
Contents	The contents of the block, arranged in four columns of longwords. The contents of the longwords are represented in hexadecimal. On each line of the display, the longwords are arranged from right to left, in the order of their addresses.
Contents	The contents of the block, arranged in one column of ASCII characters. The column is 16 characters wide. Each character represents the ASCII value of the bytes within the longwords on that line. If the ASCII value of a byte is not a printing character, SDA prints a period character (.) instead. The characters are arranged from left to right, in order of their addresses.

EXAMPLE

```
SDA> SHOW POOL
IRP      8013B240  160
```

```
07010000 000A0054 00000000 000A0054 T.....T.....
```

The preceding example shows two lines from a display produced by the SHOW POOL command. This block is an IRP; its starting address is 8013B240; and its length is 160 bytes. Note that the first byte of the longword at 8013B240, the rightmost byte in the hexadecimal display, contains 54, the ASCII value of the character uppercase T. This value is represented as the leftmost character in the ASCII portion of the display.

Similarly, the byte at location 8013B48, the ninth byte from the right in the hexadecimal display, also contains 54. It is represented by the T in the ninth place from the left in the ASCII display.

SHOW PORTS

Displays those portions of the port descriptor table (PDT) that are port independent. Port-independent items in the PDT are used by all system communications services (SCS) port drivers.

FORMAT

SHOW PORTS

command parameters

None.

command qualifiers

/ADDRESS=n

Displays a specific port descriptor table, as specified by the address. The PDT summary page, which lists the addresses for individual PDTs, is the first display shown for the SHOW PORTS command.

DESCRIPTION

The SHOW PORTS command provides information for those CI ports with full SCS connections. Therefore, information about UDA ports and similar controllers is not included in the output of this command.

The initial display is a PDT summary page, listing the PDT address, port type, device type, and driver name for each PDT. Subsequent displays provide detailed information for each PDT listed on the summary page.

Information for a particular PDT can also be obtained by using the /ADDRESS qualifier to the SHOW PORTS command.

EXAMPLE

SDA> SHOW PORTS

```

--- PDT Summary Page ---
PDT Address      Type      Device      Driver Name
-----
801CEA20        pa        PABO        PADRIVER
-----

--- Port Descriptor Table (PDT) 801CEA20 ---

Type: 01 pa
Characteristics: 0000

Msg Header Size      32 Connect      8023222A Recyclh_Msg_Buf 802323E7
Max Xfer Bcnt      FFFFFFFF Dealloc_Dg_Buf 8023250C Request_Data    80232677
DG Header Size      72 Disconnect  802322F3 Send_Data       802326BE
Poller Sweep        25 Unmap        80232730 Send_Dg_Buf     80232570
Fork Block W.Q.     empty Map         802325D2 Send_Msg_Buf    8023248A
UCB Address         80335320 Map_Bypass   802325B9 Send_Cnt_Msg_Buf 80232491
ADP Address         00000000 Map_Irp      802325C2 Read_Count      8023279E
Accept              80232277 Map_Irp_Bypass 802325B1 Rls_Read_Count  802327DF
Alloc_Dg_Buf        802324F8 Queue_Dg_Buf 80232512 Mreset          802327E8
Alloc_Msg_Buf       80232383 Queue_Mult_Dgs 8023251A Mstart          802327F0
Dealloc_Msg_Buf     8023243C Recycl_Msg_Buf 802323F1 Stop_Vcs        8023281F
Dealloc_Msg_Buf_Reg 8023244F Reject       802322DA Send_Dg_Reg     80232563
    
```

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SHOW PROCESS

SHOW PROCESS

Displays the software and hardware context of any process in the balance set and performs an implicit SET PROCESS command.

FORMAT

SHOW PROCESS *[/qualifier[,...]] [parameter]*

command parameters

ALL

Shows information about all the processes that exist in the system.

name

The name of the process that you want to see. Do not use this parameter with the /SYSTEM or /INDEX= qualifiers. The name can contain up to 15 letters and numerals and can include the underscore (_) and dollar sign (\$) characters. The name must be a quoted string if it contains other than the foregoing characters.

If you specify no parameter, this command displays information on the current process. See the description of the SET PROCESS command for the definition of the current process.

command qualifiers

/ALL

Displays the information shown by the following qualifiers:

- /CHANNEL
- /LOCKS
- /PCB
- /PHD
- /REGISTERS
- /RMS
- /WORKING_SET
- /PROCESS_SECTION_TABLE
- /PAGE_TABLES

/CHANNEL

Displays the I/O channels assigned to the process, the address of the window-control block associated with that channel, the status of the channel, and the specification of the file or device associated with the channel.

The display produced by the SHOW PROCESS/CHANNEL command contains four columns of information, labeled "channel," "window," "status," and "device/file accessed." These columns contain the following information.

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Column	Contents
Channel	The number of each channel assigned to the process
Window	The address of the window-control block for the file, if the device is a file-oriented device, zero otherwise
Status	The status of the device: "busy" if the device has an I/O operation outstanding, blank otherwise
Device/file accessed	The name of the device and, if applicable, the name of the file being accessed on that device

The display varies with the process chosen. SDA displays the information in the form

dcuu:(file-id)filename

where:

- **dcuu:** is the name of the device.
- **file-id** is the RMS file identification.
- **filename** is the full file specification, including directory name.

SDA displays some or all of this information under the following conditions:

Information Displayed	Type of Process
dcuu:	SDA displays this information for devices that are not file structured, such as terminals, and for processes that do not open files in the normal way.
dcuu:filename	SDA displays this information only if you are examining a running system, and only if your process has enough privilege to translate the file-id into the file name.
dcuu:(file-id)filename	SDA displays this information only when you are examining a dump. The file name corresponds to the file-id on the device listed. If you are examining a dump from your own system, the file name is probably valid. If you are examining a dump from another system, the file name is probably meaningless in the context of your system.
dcuu:(file-id)	The file-id no longer points to a valid file name, as when you look at a dump from another system; or the process in which you are running SDA does not have <i>enough privilege</i> to translate the file-id into the corresponding file name

/INDEX=nn

The index of the software process control block (PCB) into the system's PCB list. Alternatively, this argument can be the process identification (PID or EPID), from which SDA extracts the index. This index identifies the process to be displayed.

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/LOCKS

Displays the locks owned by the current process. See the description of the SHOW RESOURCE command and its /LOCKID qualifier for a description of the information displayed by this qualifier.

/P0

Displays the page tables for P0 space; must be used with the /PAGE_TABLE qualifier.

/P1

Displays the page tables for P1 space; must be used with the /PAGE_TABLE qualifier.

/PAGE_TABLES [range]

Displays the page tables of the program and control regions. This qualifier produces a display in the same format as that of the SHOW PAGE_TABLE command.

The argument **range** can have two forms. When you provide an argument of the form *x:y*, where *x* and *y* are the addresses of virtual pages, this qualifier displays the page table entries that correspond to the range of pages from *x* to *y*.

When you provide an argument of the form *x;y*, where *x* and *y* are the addresses of virtual pages, this qualifier displays the page table entries that correspond to a range of *y* pages, starting with page *x*.

/PCB

Produces a list of the data contained in the software process control block (PCB). The software PCB is the central control mechanism for process swapping and scheduling.

This qualifier is the default.

The display produced by using the /PCB qualifier lists the following information:

- Software context for the process
- Condition-handling information
- Information on interprocess communication
- Information on counts, quotas, and resource usage

/PHD

Lists information included in the process header. The process header contains the vital statistics of a process and is swapped into memory when a process becomes part of the balance set. Each item listed by the PHD qualifier gives a quantity, count, or limit for the process concerning the following resources:

- Process memory
- The pager
- The scheduler
- Asynchronous system traps

- I/O activity
- CPU activity

/PROCESS_SECTION_TABLE

Lists the information contained in the process section table. The process section table contains entries, each of which describes a process section. The display that this qualifier produces is 132 columns wide.

SDA displays the offsets to the first and last entries in the process section table under the heading "process section table information," and then displays the contents of process section table. The following table describes the parts of each process section table entry contained in the display:

Part	Definition
INDEX	The offset into the section table of the process at which the entry is found. Because entries in the process section table begin at the highest location in the table, and the table expands toward lower addresses, the following expression determines the address of an entry in the table: $PHD + PSTBASOFF - INDEX$.
ADDRESS	The virtual address that marks the beginning of the first page of the section described by this entry.
PAGES	The length, in pages, of the process section.
VBN	Virtual block number, the number of the file's virtual block that is mapped into the section's first page.
CLUSTER	The cluster size used when faulting pages into this process section.
REFCNT	The number of pages of this section that are currently mapped.
FLINK	Forward link; the pointer to the next entry in the PST list.
BLINK	Backward link; the pointer to the previous entry in the PST list.
FLAGS	The flags that describe the access that processes have to the process section.

/REGISTERS

Lists the hardware context of the process. When a process executes, its hardware context is contained in the processor registers (see the description of the SHOW CRASH command). If the process is not executing, its hardware context is stored in the hardware PCB, which is part of the process header. The /REGISTERS qualifier displays the process registers in the following groups:

- General registers
- Stack pointers
- Special-purpose registers
- Base and length registers

If the process is the current process in a dump, the current registers are also displayed.

/RMS[=option]

Displays the RMS data structures for each image-I/O file the process has open.

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If you provide the name of a structure as an option, this qualifier displays only the specified structure for each image-I/O file the process has open. If you do not specify an option, SDA displays the current list of options as determined by the last SET RMS command or by SDA when you start it.

See the description of the SET RMS command for the options you can use with this qualifier.

To show the RMS data structures for process-permanent files, use the following commands.

```
SDA> DEFINE SAVE=PIO$GW_IIOIMPA
SDA> DEFINE PIO$GW_IIOIMPA=PIO$GW_PIOIMPA
SDA> SHOW PROCESS/RMS
```

```
Process index: 003C   Name: WILLING   Extended PID: 22E0023C
-----
=====
IFAB Address: 7FFC5608           IFI: 0001           Organization: Sequential
=====
-----
PRIMDEV:      08040007   REC,CCL,TRM,AVL,ODV
BKPBITS:      00090006   EOF,PPF_IMAGE,WRTACC,NORECLK
BLN:          2E         46.           BID:           0B           11.
EFN:          00         MODE:         03
.
.
.
```

/SYSTEM

Displays the system process control block. The system PCB and process header (PHD) are dummy structures that are located in system space. These structures contain the system working set, global section table, global page table, and other systemwide data.

/WORKING_SET

Displays the working-set list for the process. The working-set list is a table that contains information for all virtual pages that the process can access without a page fault. This qualifier displays the following information for each entry in the working-set list:

Column	Contents
INDEX	Index into the working-set list at which information for this entry can be found
ADDRESS	The virtual address of the page, in the process address space, for which this entry exists
STATUS	A three-part section that lists the location of the page in physical memory, the type of page (see the description of the SHOW PAGE_TABLE command), and whether the page is locked into the working set

When SDA locates an unused working-set entry, it issues the message:

```
---- n empty entries
```

The value of n is the decimal number of contiguous, unused entries that SDA has found.

EXAMPLES

1 SDA> SHOW PROCESS/CHANNEL
 Process index: 001C Name: WILLING Extended PID: 0000009C

```
-----
                          Process active channels
                          -----
Channel  Window      Status  Device/file accessed
-----
0010    00000000      MBA51:
0020    801D3D00      DBAO: [SYSO.SYSEXE]SDA.EXE;1
0030    00000000      DBAO:
0040    00000000      DBAO:
0050    00000000      MBA44:
0060    00000000      MBA53:
0070    801B8F40      DBAO: [SYSO.001001]LBRSHR.EXE;1 (section file)
0080    801B8E20      DBAO: [SYSO.001001]DCXSHR.EXE;1 (section file)
0090    00000000      TTE6:
00A0    801B9060      DBAO: [SYSO.001001]LIBRTL.EXE;1 (section file)
00B0    801B8D00      DBAO: [SYSO.001001]SCRSHR.EXE;1 (section file)
00C0    00000000      TTE6:
00D0    801D3A00      DRB0: [WILLING.BOOKS]SDAOUT.TXT;2
00E0    00000000      TTE6:
```

The preceding example shows the output of a SHOW PROCESS/CHANNEL command used while analyzing a running system. The display includes the names of the files that are opened because the process in which SDA is running has access to the files. If the process has no access to a file, SDA displays only the device name, the file identification (FID), and the directory name.

2 SDA> SHOW PROCESS/CHANNEL
 Process index: 0008 Name: JNLACP Extended PID: 00000088

```
-----
                          Process active channels
                          -----
Channel  Window      Status  Device/file accessed
-----
0010    801B11A0      DBAO: (32,1,0) [SYSO.SYSEXE]F11BXQP.EXE;1 (section file)
0020    801B11A0      DBAO: (32,1,0) [SYSO.SYSEXE]F11BXQP.EXE;1 (section file)
0030    00000000      DBAO:
0040    00000000      DBAO:
0050    00000000      MBA11:
0060    801BD6E0      DBAO: (252,1,0) [SYSO.SYSEXE]JNLACP.EXE;1
0070    801B8C40      DBAO: (109,1,0) [SYSO.001001]LIBRTL.EXE;1 (section file)
0080    801B8960      DBAO: (99,1,0) [SYSO.001001]DISMNTSHR.EXE;1 (section file)
0090    801B6AE0      DBAO: (100,1,0) [SYSO.001001]MOUNTSHR.EXE;1 (section file)
00A0    801B1AA0      DRA2: (18,36,0)
00B0    8016D380      DRB0: (8757,12,2) [JOURNAL]JWHBI.BIJ;1
```

The preceding example shows the display produced by the SHOW PROCESS/CHANNEL command while SDA is analyzing a crash dump. Note that each file specification in the display includes the file identification (FID).

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3 SDA> SHOW PROCESS/INDEX=47
Process index: 0047 Name: C_EMACS Extended PID: 00000447

Process status: 00040001 RES,PHDRES
PCB address 8011AD70 JIB address 801127F0
PHD address 80806C00 Swapfile disk address 02002821
Master internal PID 00070040 Subprocess count 1
Internal PID 00080047 Creator internal PID 00070040
Extended PID 00000447 Creator extended PID 000003C0
State HIB Termination mailbox 06D8
Current priority 5 AST's enabled KESU
Base priority 4 AST's active NONE
UIC [010,115] AST's remaining 13
Mutex count 0 Buffered I/O count/limit 6/6
Waiting EF cluster 0 Direct I/O count/limit 6/6
Starting wait time 00001B1A BUFIO byte count/limit 11164/11420
Event flag wait mask FFBFFFFF # open files allowed left 18
Local EF cluster 0 C8600C05 Timer entries allowed left 10
Local EF cluster 1 00000000 Active page table count 0
Global cluster 2 pointer 00000000 Process WS page count 78
Global cluster 3 pointer 00000000 Global WS page count 33

The preceding example shows the output of a SHOW PROCESS/INDEX command.

4 SDA> SHOW PROCESS/RMS=IFAB
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Process index: 000F Name: NETA 2

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Process index: 000F Name: NETACP Extended PID: 21C0010F

IFAB Address: 7FFA9208 IFI: 0001 Organization: Sequential

PRIMDEV: 1C4D4008 DIR,FOD,SHR,AVL,ELG,IDV,ODV,RND
BKPBITS: 02080000 NORECLK,SEARCH
BLN: 2E 46. BID: 0B 11.
EFN: 00 MODE: 00
IOS: 00000000 ASBADDR: 00000000
IOS4: 00000000 ARGST: 7FFE7D28
IRAB_LNK: 00000000 CHNL: 0060
FAC: 00
ORGCASE: 00 Sequential
LAST_FAB: 0000A8E4 NWA_PTR: 00000000
IFI: 0001 ECHO_ISI: 0000
JNLBDB: 00000000 FWA_PTR: 7FFA9400
BDB_FLNK: 7FFA9248 DEVBUFSIZ: 0200 512.
BDB_BLNK: 7FFA9248 RTDEQ: 0000 0.
RFMORG: 00 UDF
RAT: 00
LRL: 0000 0. HBK_DISK: 00000000
FFB: 0000 0. EBK_DISK: 00000000
FSZ: 00 0. BKS: 00 0.
DEQ: 0000 0. MRS: 0000 0.
HBK: 00000000 0. GBC: 0000 0.
EBK: 00000000 0.
RNS_LEN: 00000000 LOCK_BDB: 00000000
SFSB_PTR: 00000000 AVLCL: 0000 0.
GBSB_PTR: 00000000 AVGBPB: 0000 0.
GBH_PTR: 00000000 RJB_PTR: 00000000

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```
JNLFLGS:      00
RECVRFLGS:   00
JNLFLGS2:    00
EXTJNL_PTR:  00000000          PAR_LOCK_ID:  00000000
BLBFLNK:     00000000
BLBBLNK:     00000000
AS_DEV:      1C4D4008  DIR, FOD, SHR, AVL, ELG, IDV, ODV, RND
ASDEVBSIZ:   0200      512.
```

The preceding example shows the output of the SHOW PROCESS /RMS=IFAB command.

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SHOW RESOURCE

SHOW RESOURCE

Displays information on system resources.

FORMAT

SHOW RESOURCE *[/qualifier]*

command parameters

None.

command qualifiers

/ALL

Displays information on all the locks in the system.

/LOCKID=nn

Displays information on the resource associated with the lock with identification nn.

DESCRIPTION

The SHOW RESOURCE command displays information on system resources. The following sections discuss each of the displays this command produces.

SHOW RESOURCE/ALL

The display produced by the SHOW RESOURCE/ALL command contains information as shown in the example following. Descriptions of each item in the display follow the example. This qualifier is the default.

SDA> **SHOW RESOURCE/ALL**

Resource database

```
-----  
Address of RSB: 801FCB40 Group grant mode: PW  
Parent RSB: 00000000 Conversion grant mode: CR  
Sub-RSB count: 0 BLKAST count: 0  
Value block: 00000000 00000000 00000000 00000000  
Resource: 454F5024 4B534944 DISK$POE  
Length 8 00000000 00000000 .....  
User mode 00000000 00000000 .....  
Group 360 00000000 00000000 .....
```

Granted queue (Lock ID / Gr mode):

06AB010C CR

Conversion queue (Lock ID / Gr/Rq mode):

095B00F2 PW/EX

Waiting queue (Lock ID / Rq mode):

054400BC EX

The definitions of the fields in the display are as follows:

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SHOW RESOURCE

Field	Contents														
Address of RSB	The address of the resource block that describes this resource.														
Parent RSB	The resource block that is the parent of this resource block. This field is 0 in the example, which means that this resource block is a parent block (is not a child block).														
Sub-RSB count	The number of RSBs of which this RSB is the parent. This RSB has no "children."														
Group grant mode	The most restrictive mode in which a lock on this resource has been granted. The values that this field can contain are listed following and shown in order from the least restrictive to most restrictive lock modes. The most restrictive lock granted on this resource is in protected-write mode. For information on how the lock modes can conflict with each other, see the <i>VAX/VMS System Services Reference Manual</i> .														
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Value	Meaning														
NL	Null mode														
CR	Concurrent-read mode														
CW	Concurrent-write mode														
PR	Protected-read mode														
PW	Protected-write mode														
EX	Exclusive mode														
Conversion grant mode	The most restrictive lock mode to which a lock on this resource is waiting to be converted. This does not include the mode for which lock at the head of the conversion queue is waiting.														
BLKAST count	The number of locks on this resource that have requested a blocking AST.														
Value block	A hexadecimal dump of the 16-byte block value block associated with this resource.														
Resource	The beginning of the three-column dump of the name of this resource, which is stored in the resource block. The first two columns are the hexadecimal representation of the name, with the least significant byte represented by the rightmost two digits in the righthand column. The third column contains the ASCII representation of the name, the least significant byte being represented by the leftmost character in the column. Periods in this column represent values that correspond to unprintable ASCII characters.														
Length	The length, in bytes, of the resource block.														

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Field	Contents
User mode	The processor mode of the name space in which this resource block resides. In the preceding example, the resource block resides in the user-mode name space. There is a name space for each processor-access mode.
System	The owner of the resource. In this example the owner is the system, the VAX/VMS operating system. When the owner of the resource is a group, this field contains the number (in octal of the owning group).
Granted queue	The list of locks on this resource that have been granted. For each lock in the list, this display contains the number of the lock and the lock mode in which the lock was granted. In the previously shown example, lock number 06AB010C was granted in common-read mode.
Conversion queue	The list of locks waiting to be converted from one mode to another. For each lock in the list, this display contains the number of the lock, the mode in which the lock was granted, and the mode to which the lock is to be converted. In the previously shown example, lock number 095B00F2 is waiting to be converted from protected-write mode to exclusive-access mode.
Waiting queue	The list of locks waiting to be granted. For each lock in the list, this display contains the number of the lock and the mode requested for that lock. In the previously shown example, lock number 054400BC is waiting to be granted in exclusive-access mode.

SHOW RESOURCE/LOCKID

The SHOW RESOURCE/LOCKID command shows information on the resource locked by the lock identified by the parameter to the /LOCKID qualifier. The following example shows the information contained in the display produced by this qualifier. A description of each item in the display follows the example.

```
SDA> SHOW PROCESS/LOCKS/INDEX=8
```

```
Process index: 0008   Name: JOB_CONTROL   Extended PID: 22A00088
```

```
-----  
Lock data:
```

```
Lock id: 11A00117   PID: 00010008   Flags: CONVERT SYNCSTS SYSTEM  
Par. id: 007B0004   Granted at NL  
Sublocks: 0  
LKB: 801F9B40  
Resource: 00000000 0000018C   ..... Status:  
Length 04 00000000 00000000   .....  
Exec. mode 00000000 00000000   .....  
System 00000000 00000000   .....
```

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```

Lock id: 007B0004  PID: 00010008  Flags: VALBLK CONVERT SYNCSTS
Par. id: 00000000  Granted at CR          SYSTEM
Sublocks: 18
LKB: 801E9100
Resource: 00000014 03BA0001 ..... Status:
Length 19 44244854 4E594C50 PLYNTH$D
Exec. mode 00000000 00304155 UA0.....
System 00000000 00000000 .....
  
```

The information in the display is described as follows:

Display Element	Description
Process Index	The index into the PCB array at which you find a pointer to the PCB of the process that owns the lock.
Name	The name of the process that owns the lock.
Extended PID	The clusterwide identification of the process that owns this lock.
Lock Data	The heading of the section of the display that contains the information on the lock.
Lock id	The identification of the lock.
PID	The processor-wide identification of the lock.
FLAGS	Information specified in the request for the lock.
Par id	The identification of this lock's parent lock.
Granted at	The lock mode at which this lock was granted.
Sublocks	The identification numbers of the locks that this lock owns.
LKB	The address of the lock block, a block of memory in nonpaged dynamic pool in which the information on this lock is stored.
Resource	A dump of the resource block. The two lefthand columns show the contents of the resource block as hexadecimal values, the least significant byte being represented by the rightmost two digits. The righthand column shows the contents of the resource block as ASCII text, the least significant byte being represented by the leftmost character.
Length	The length, in bytes, of the lock block.
System	The owner of the lock. This lock is owned by the VAX/VMS operating system. Locks owned by a group have the number of the owning group in this field.
Status	The status of the lock, information used internally by the VAX/VMS lock manager.

The two columns of hexadecimal numbers are a dump of the lock block. The column of ASCII characters to the right of the hexadecimal columns is the ASCII representation of the dump of the lock block.

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SHOW RMS

SHOW RMS

Displays the names of the VAX RMS data structures that the SHOW PROCESS/RMS command displays.

FORMAT

SHOW RMS

command parameters

None.

command qualifiers

None.

DESCRIPTION

This command shows names of the data structures that the SHOW PROCESS/RMS command displays. The SET RMS command determines which data structures SHOW PROCESS/RMS displays. See the description of the SET RMS command for the names of the VAX RMS data structures that this command can display.

EXAMPLE

```
SDA> SHOW RMS
RMS Display Options: IFB,IRB,IDX,BDB,BDBSUM,ASB,CCB,WCB,FCB,FAB,RAB,
NAM,XAB,RLB,BLB,BLBSUM,GBD,GBH,TRC,FWA,GBDSUM,RJB
Display RMS structures for all IFI values.
```

The preceding example shows how the SHOW RMS command displays the data structures to be displayed by the SHOW PROCESS/RMS command.

SHOW RSPID

Displays information about response-IDs (RSPIDs). Whenever a local system application (SYSAP) requires a response from a remote SYSAP, a unique number is assigned by the local system and is called an RSPID. The RSPID is transmitted in the original request (as a means of identification), and the remote SYSAP returns the same RSPID in its response to the original request.

FORMAT

SHOW RSPID

command parameters

None.

command qualifiers

/CONNECTION=*n*

Displays RSPID information for the specific SCS connection whose connection descriptor table (CDT) address is given. The value that you specify to obtain information for a specific CDT is obtained either by using the SHOW CONNECTIONS command or by examining an appropriate data structure.

DESCRIPTION

The SHOW RSPID command displays information about the response-ID descriptor table, which lists the currently open requests that require responses from remote SYSAPs. For each request that a local SYSAP transmits that requires a response from a remote SYSAP, VAX/VMS generates a unique identifying number that is assigned to that request, and that identifying number is called a response-ID (RSPID). VAX/VMS can associate a specific RSPID with the request that caused the RSPID to be generated, and the SHOW RSPID command provides information about RSPIDs that are currently in use (in other words, currently outstanding requests from local SYSAPs to remote SYSAPs).

The display for the SHOW RSPID command, shown in the following example, lists a summary of the current response descriptor table. For each RSPID, this summary includes the following:

- The RSPID value
- The address of the class driver request packet (CDRP, which generally represents the original request)
- The address of the CDT that is using the RSPID
- The name of the local process using the RSPID
- The remote node from which a response is required (and has not been received).

To obtain information about RSPIDs in use for a specific connection, use the /CONNECTION= qualifier and the associated CDT address.

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SHOW RSPID

EXAMPLE

SDA> SHOW RSPID

--- Summary of Response Descriptor Table (RDT) 801C2108 ---

RSPID	CDRP Address	CDT Address	Local Process Name	Remote Node
F8680001	80336B00	801C2850	VMS\$DISK_CL_DRVR	PINTO
F8070002	80422A00	801C28F0	VMS\$VAXcluster	SOLLY
F80D0003	80393C60	801C2850	VMS\$DISK_CL_DRVR	PINTO

SHOW STACK

Displays the location and contents of the four process stacks and the systemwide interrupt stack.

FORMAT

SHOW STACK *[/qualifier[,...]] [range]*

command parameter

range

The range of memory locations you want to display in stack format. You can express the range as two locations separated by a colon (:), or as a location and a length, in bytes, separated by a semicolon (;).

command qualifiers

/EXECUTIVE

Shows the executive-mode stack for the current process.

/INTERRUPT

Shows the interrupt-mode stack.

/KERNEL

Shows the kernel-mode stack for the current process.

/SUPERVISOR

Shows the supervisor-mode stack for the current process.

/USER

Shows the user-mode stack for the current process.

DESCRIPTION

Each qualifier displays one of four stacks that correspond to the four VAX/VMS processor access modes for the current process as specified by the most recent SET PROCESS or SHOW PROCESS command. The /INTERRUPT qualifier displays the systemwide interrupt stack. The default for SHOW STACK is the stack that is currently being used or that was in use when the system failed.

The following example shows the display produced by the SHOW STACK command. The display is the same for each stack and is composed of the following four sections.

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SHOW STACK

Section	Contents
Stack pointer	The stack pointer identifies the top of the stack. The display indicates the stack pointer by the symbol SP => .
Stack address	SDA lists all the virtual addresses that the operating system has allocated to the stack. The stack addresses are listed in a column that increases in increments of 4 bytes (one longword).
Stack contents	SDA lists the contents of the stack in a column next to the stack addresses.
Symbols	SDA attempts to display the contents of a location symbolically, using a symbol and an offset, as shown in the example following. If the address is not within FFF (hexadecimal) of the value of any existing symbol, the field is left blank.

If a stack is empty, the display shows:

```
SP =>          (THE STACK IS EMPTY)
```

If you give a range of memory locations as a parameter to the SHOW STACK command, SDA displays that range in stack format.

EXAMPLE

```
SDA> SHOW STACK  
Current operating stack  
-----
```

```
Current operating stack (USER):
```

```
       7FF73278 200C0000  
       7FF7327C 00001518      SGN$C_MAXPGFL+518  
       7FF73280 7FF732F0  
       7FF73284 000187A7      RMS$_ECHO+72E  
SP => 7FF73288 0000060A      BUG$_NOHDJMT+002  
       7FF7328C 00000000  
       7FF73290 00000003  
       7FF73294 7FF73800  
       7FF73298 7FF73800
```

The preceding example shows the output from a SHOW STACK command. The data shown above the stack pointer may not be valid. The symbol to the right of the columns, BUG\$_NOHDJMT+002, is the result of the SDA attempt to interpret the contents of the longword at the top of the stack as a symbol meaningful to the user. In this case the value on the stack and the value of BUG\$_NOHDJMT are unrelated.

SHOW SUMMARY

Displays a list of all active processes and the values of the parameters used in swapping and scheduling these processes.

FORMAT

SHOW SUMMARY

command parameters

None.

command qualifier

/IMAGE

This qualifier causes SDA to provide an extra line for every process in the display that SHOW SUMMARY produces. The line contains the name of the image, if available, being executed within each process.

DESCRIPTION

The following example shows the display produced by the SHOW SUMMARY command.

Column	Contents
Indx	The index of this process into the PCB array
Extended PID	The 32-bit number that uniquely identifies the process
Process name	The name assigned to the process
Username	The name of the user who created the process

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SHOW SUMMARY

Column	Contents																														
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Pri	The current scheduling priority of the process																														
PCB	The address of the control block for this process																														
PHD	The address of the header for this process																														
Wkset	The number (decimal) of pages currently in the working set of the process																														

EXAMPLE

SDA> SHOW SUMMARY

Extended	Indx	Process name	Username	State	Pri	PCB	PHD	Wkset
00000080	0000	NULL		COM	0	80001EA0	80001D28	0
00000081	0001	SWAPPER		HIB	16	80002168	80001FF0	0
00000083	0003	DBA0BACP	SYSTEM	HIB	10	800DD330	80202400	469
00000087	0007	OPCOM	SYSTEM	LEF	7	800DDB90	80332200	90
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The SHOW SUMMARY command displays a summary description of all the processes that existed on the system at the time of the system failure. The display is the same as that produced by the DCL command SHOW SYSTEM.

SHOW SYMBOL

Displays the value of a symbol and the contents of the location that has an address equal to the value of that symbol.

FORMAT

SHOW SYMBOL *[/qualifier[,...]] parameter*

command parameter

symbol-name

The name of the symbol of interest. You must provide the name of the symbol.

command qualifier

/ALL

Displays information on all the symbols whose names match the characters specified in the command parameter and are defined in the SDA symbol table. If you use this qualifier, you can provide part of the name of a symbol, and SDA will display all symbols that start with the string you specify.

EXAMPLES

1 SDA> **SHOW SYMBOL G**
G = 80000000 : 8FBC0FFC

This command shows two items: G has a value of 80000000, and at address 80000000 is the quantity 8FBC0FFC (hexadecimal).

2 SDA> **SHOW SYMBOL/ALL IOC\$GL_**
Symbols sorted by name

IOC\$GL_ADPLIST 80000E58 => 801F4000
IOC\$GL_AQBLIST 800027B0 => 8020C080
IOC\$GL_CRBTMOUT 800027C4 => 801F5594
IOC\$GL_DEVLIST 80000EBC => 80000ECC
.
.
.
IOC\$GL_SRPSIZE 80002764 => 00000080
IOC\$GL_SRPSPLIT 8000276C => 801F4000
IOC\$GL_TU_CDDB 800027CC => 00000000

The preceding example shows the display produced by the SHOW SYMBOL /ALL command. SDA searches its symbol table for all symbols that begin with the string "IOC\$GL_" and displays the symbols, their values, and the contents of the locations addressed by those values.

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SPAWN

SPAWN

Creates a subprocess of the current process. The system copies the context of the subprocess from the current process. The subprocess executes the command that you specify in the SPAWN command.

FORMAT

SPAWN [/qualifier[,...]] [command]

command parameter

command

The name of the command that you want executed by the subprocess.

command qualifiers

/INPUT=filespec

Specifies an input file containing one or more command strings to be executed by the spawned subprocess. If you specify a command string with an input file, the command string is processed before the commands in the input file. Once processing is complete, the subprocess is terminated.

/NOLOGICAL_NAMES

Specifies that the logical names of the parent process are not to be copied to the subprocess. The default behavior is that the logical names of the parent process are copied to the subprocess.

/NOSYMBOLS

Specifies that the DCL global and local symbols of the parent process are not to be passed to the subprocess. The default behavior is that these symbols are passed to the subprocess.

/NOTIFY

Specifies that a message is to be broadcast to SYS\$OUTPUT when the subprocess completes processing or aborts. The default behavior is that such a message is not sent to SYS\$OUTPUT.

/NOWAIT

Specifies that the system is not to wait until the subprocess is completed before allowing more commands to be specified. This qualifier allows you to specify new commands while the spawned subprocess is running. If you specify /NOWAIT, you should use /OUTPUT to direct the output of the subprocess to a file in order to prevent more than one process from simultaneously using your terminal.

The default behavior is that the system waits until the subprocess is completed before allowing more commands to be specified.

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SPAWN

/OUTPUT=filespec

Specifies an output file to which the results of the SPAWN operation are written. You should specify an output other than SYS\$OUTPUT whenever you specify /NOWAIT to prevent output from the spawned subprocess from being displayed while you are specifying new commands. If you omit the /OUTPUT qualifier, output is written to the current SYS\$OUTPUT device.

/PROCESS=process_name

Specifies the name of the subprocess to be created. The default name of the subprocess is USERNAME_n, where USERNAME is the user name of the parent process.

System Dump Analyzer

VALIDATE QUEUE

VALIDATE QUEUE

Validates the integrity of the specified queue by checking the pointers in the queue.

FORMAT

VALIDATE QUEUE [*address*]

command parameter

address

The address is the address of an element of the queue. If the address is not specified, then the last element address that was specified (in a previous VALIDATE QUEUE command) is used. If a dot is specified as the address, then the last evaluated expression is used as the address of an element of the queue.

command qualifiers

/SELF_RELATIVE

Specifies that the selected queue is a self-relative queue.

DESCRIPTION

The VALIDATE QUEUE command uses the forward and backward pointers in each element of the queue to make sure that the pointers are all valid and that the integrity of the queue is intact. If the queue is intact, SDA displays the following message:

`Queue is complete, total of n elements in the queue`

If SDA discovers an error in the queue, it displays this message:

`Error comparing backward link to previous structure address
mmmmmmmm. Error occurred in queue element at address nnnnnnnn,
after tracing n elements.`

Address mmmmmmmmm is the address you gave as the argument to the VALIDATE QUEUE command; address nnnnnnnn is the address of the queue element in which the error was detected.

If there are no entries in the queue, SDA displays this message:

`The queue is empty`

If you do not specify an address to the VALIDATE QUEUE command, the following action is taken:

- If a queue has previously been used in the current SDA session, that queue is used.
- The previous evaluated expression is used as an address if you specify a period (.) after the VALIDATE QUEUE command.
- If no queue has previously been specified, and you do not use a period after the command, an error message is displayed indicating that no queue has been specified for validation.

EXAMPLE

```
SDA> VALIDATE QUEUE IOC$GL_IRPFL
Error comparing backward link to previous structure address (801E6200)
Error occurred in queue element at address 801CA000, after tracing 399 elements
SDA> VALIDATE QUEUE IOC$GL_IRPFL
Queue is complete, total of 404 elements in the queue
```

The preceding example shows the display produced by the VALIDATE QUEUE command. The preceding example was produced on a running system, and the queue changed during the SDA attempt to validate it. Thus the error message. The second command was successful, and the queue was complete.



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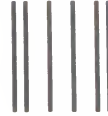
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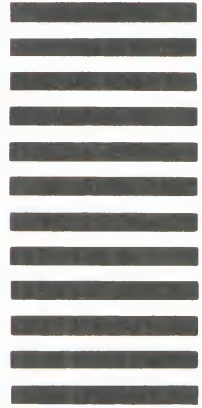
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