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Release 11.7



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CA Technologies Product References

This document references the following CA Technologies products:

CA OPS/MVS EMA

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Chapter 1: New Features

CA Dispatch r11.7 is a feature-specific release created to provide the following:

- The Page Out feature which provides the release of real memory for CADDSPL.
- Communication with OPS/MVS EMA.

This section contains the following topics:

<u>CA Mainframe Software Manager</u> (see page 7)
<u>CA OPS/MVS System State Manager</u> (see page 7)
<u>Page Out Feature - Real Memory Storage Release for CADDSPL</u> (see page 8)
<u>Environment</u> (see page 10)

CA Mainframe Software Manager

CA MSM 4.0 is an application that simplifies and unifies the management of CA Technologies mainframe products on z/OS systems.

CA MSM 4.0 provides services that make it easier for you to do the following:

- Acquire, install, deploy, and configure products
- Automatically obtain and apply maintenance

These services enable you to easily manage your software based on industry accepted best practices. A web-based interface makes the look and feel of the environment friendly and familiar, enabling you to install and maintain your products faster and with less chance of error.

You can acquire CA MSM 4.0 from the CA Support website.

Note: For more information, see your product's installation instructions and the CA Mainframe Software Manager online help.

CA OPS/MVS System State Manager

Your product can automatically communicate active status events and heart beat events to CA OPS/MVS EMA. The communication is established through a generic active status or heartbeat event API call that CA OPS/MVS EMA provides. With this feature, other products can communicate events consistently to CA OPS/MVS EMA.

Note: For more information, see the User Guide.

Page Out Feature - Real Memory Storage Release for CADDSPL

CADDSPL acquires real memory during processing so it can save pages of report and MSGCLASS data. These memory pages are not fixed and are available for "stealing" by other tasks in the system.

The Page Out feature provides a more proactive approach to releasing memory:

- You can set the frequency of this process and control how often memory is released.
- The release of real memory is triggered automatically.

A new chaining method allows better control of this memory release. With the implementation of sequential chaining, the Page Out process can release memory by LDS file. It works this way:

- The sequential chaining method causes the LDS files to be used sequentially.
- The active LDS is filled up before a switch is made to the next available LDS file.
- The Page Out process can release the memory associated with the full LDS file.
- The timer built into this process allows CA Dispatch time to distribute and process the report data while it still resides in memory.

Page Out will also work with the existing interleaved chaining method but is less efficient since it will release the memory associated to all appended LDS files.

Note: The Page Out feature is turned off by default and must be activated using the PAGEOut parameter.

When to Use the Page Out Feature

The Page Out feature is useful with systems that are tuned to limit paging. If the real memory usage required by CADDSPL is a problem for your system, consider using the Page Out feature.

In other systems, the memory used by CADDSPL is not an issue and the Page Out feature will only produce additional CPU usage.

The Page Out feature works best when combined with sequential chaining of the LDS free space chain.

Determine the Chaining Method

The CADDUTIL utility must be executed with the appropriate settings to set the chaining. The default chaining method for prior releases is interleaved. If your LDS file was initialed using r11.0 or r11.6 then you have interleaved chaining.

```
Issue:
F SPLx,STATUS,X
```

command to determine the chaining method. The appropriate CADD528I message is displayed:

```
R11.0/r11.6

CADD528I SPLx Bit Map Interleaved - Updated Bit Map On
R11.7

CADD528I SPLx PAGEOut= 000080 Bit Map On Sequential
```

Set CADDUTIL Parameters to Reformat the Existing Chaining Method

Execute CADDUTIL with the following parameters to reformat the existing interleaved chaining method to sequential and also activate the Page Out feature to use a cycle of 80:

```
ROOT DDNAME = ROOT , ALTER , PAGEO = ( 80 , SEQUENT )
```

The PAGEO number represents the number of DIV intervals (rewrite function). The Page Out processing will be invoked after the DIV interval has been executed the number of times specified in PAGEO=. The default DIV interval is 41 seconds. A PAGEO value of 80 will result in the cycle being executed every 54 minutes.

The PAGEO value can be changed to increase or decrease this interval. There are two keyword values for PAGEO.

- A value of 0 indicates that the feature is not active; this is the default value.
- A value of 9999 produces an immediate Page Out cycle at the end of the next DIV interval.

9999 also causes the Page Out feature to free the memory associated with all LDS files regardless of the chaining method. After the 9999 cycle the PAGEO value is reset to the default value of 80.

The PAGEO value can be set by CADDUTIL during the initialization or alter of the root LDS. It is also set dynamically during CADDSPL execution using the SET command:

```
F SPLx, SET, PAGE0=9999
```

Environment

This section discusses the current operating systems supported, scalability, compatibility, and the security interfaces.

Supported Operating Systems

CA Dispatch r11.7 only supports those releases of z/OS and JES2 that are supported by IBM. This includes z/OS, and the related releases of JES2 and JES3.

Scalability, Availability, and Prior Versions

CA Dispatch r11.7 will have the same scalability as previous versions.

Availability should be almost 24x7 except for periodic maintenance which will vary in frequency according to the needs of your site.

Backward Compatibility

CA Dispatch Version 11.7 will be able to read prior version report data found on disk and tape.

Chapter 2: Enhancements to Existing Features

This section contains the following topics:

Documentation (see page 11)

Documentation

This section contains topics that are related to documentation enhancements.

CA Dispatch Installation Guide

The Installation Guide has been restructured and describes the following methods of installing CA Dispatch.

- CA MSM 4.0
- Electronic Software Delivery (ESD)
- DVD
- Tape

Changes to Data Set Names

The names of the [data sets/libraries] have changed. We recommend that you review the following table to determine the impact this may have to your installation:

r11.7	r11.6	r11.0	Description
CAI.CADSCLSO	CAI.CAICLS0	CAI.CAICLIB	CLIST library
CAI.CADSDA42	CAI.CADSDA42	n/a	Dictionary Files
CAI.CADSDA46	CAI.CADSDA46	n/a	Helptext Files
CAI.CADSJCL	CAI.CADSJCL	n/a	JCL library
CAI.CADSLMDO	CAI.CAIISPL	CAI.CAIISPL	ISPF load library
CAI.CADSLOAD	CAI.CAILIB	CAI.CAILIB	Load library
CAI.CADSMAC	CAI.CAIMAC	CAI.CAIMAC	Macro library

r11.7	r11.6	r11.0	Description
CAI.CADSOPTN	CAI.CAIOPTN	CAI.PPOPTION	Options library
CAI.CADSPNLO	CAI.CAIPNL0	CAI.CAIISPP	ISPF panels library
CAI.CADSPROC	CAI.CAIPROC	CAI.CAIPROC	Procedure library
CAI.CADSSRC	CAI.CAISRC	CAI.CAISRC	Source library
CAI.CADSXML	CAI.CAIXML	n/a	XML data

Note: The documents in the CA Dispatch documentation set have been updated with the r11.7 values.

CA Dispatch Best Practices Guide

The Release 11.7 changes made in the CA Dispatch Best Practices Guide include information about:

- Software Configuration Service (SCS)
- Active and Heartbeat Event Management through CA OPS/MVS EMA

CA Dispatch Message Guide

The Release 11.7 changes made in the CA Dispatch Message Guide include:

- Updates and new CADDSPL messages
- Updates and new messages in the DCn and DCDn sections.

CA Dispatch Reference Guide

The Release 11.7 changes made in the CA Dispatch Reference Guide are in Chapter 12. Archiving,

A note is added about the archive format in the Retrieving Archived Reports from the Database section.

CA Dispatch User Guide for the Report Administrator

The Release 11.7 changes made in the CA Dispatch User Guide for the Report Administrator are in Chapter 17. Archiving,

A note is added about the archive format in the Retrieving Archived Reports from the Database section.

CA DRAS Operations Guide

This document has been added to the CA Dispatch Release 11.7 documentation set.

Chapter 3: Upgrade Considerations

CA Dispatch r11.7 will be available to all CA Dispatch customers with active maintenance contracts. There is no specific license required to upgrade to r11.7.

The upgrade from release 11.6 to 11.7 is a software upgrade. Note that this upgrade process does not restructure the databases or LDS.