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New Features

This chapter describes the new features that have been added to Advantage VISION:Transact™ for CICS® Release 7.8.

CICS COMMAREA Support

CICS COMMAREA Support allows a generated Advantage VISION:Transact application program to operate either as a 3270 Terminal program or COMMAREA program. When operating as a 3270 Terminal program, user data interactions occur at a 3270 terminal. When operating as a COMMAREA program, user data interactions are communicated from and to the client by way of the CICS COMMAREA. The determination of whether a VISION:Transact application program will run as a Terminal program or a COMMAREA program occurs dynamically at application startup time.

COMMAREA programs in CICS may be invoked from a variety of sources including other CICS programs, remote programs interfacing with the CICS Transaction Gateway, MQ Series messages, web browsers, CORBA clients, and others. This new capability for Advantage VISION:Transact opens it up to a whole host of new application scenarios.

SMP/E Installation

The install process for this release of Advantage VISION:Transact uses the IBM SMP/E facility. This is a change from the previous release which used a non-standard ad-hoc installation process. SMP/E will also be used for all maintenance processes beginning with this release.

CA LMP License Authentication

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