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Subject: A Utility to Restore GCOS Files To the Multics Storage System

Introduction:

There is need for a program to restore a GCOS FMS (File Management: Supervisor, formerly FILSYS) USER SAVE tape into the Multics Storage System hierarchy. This MTB describes a facility to perform this function.

General Description:

The program is able to restore a GCOS catalog/file structure, creating a Multics directory for each catalog and a segment (or MSF) for each file. The contents of the file are loaded exactly "as is" into the segment. Additionally, the FMS cataloging information (permissions, I)S attributes, etc.) for each entry is maintained. Permissions are mapped into Multics ACLs, and attributes are set as added names on the branch for that entry (See MTB 393, GCOS TSS). Hopefully, at a later date, the attribute information will be incorporated into the directory branch for each entry by means of a general "property list" mechanism.

The command description is complete for general RESTORE operations; the initial implementation will do only a simple user RESTORE using the -restore control_arg.

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Name: gcos_fms/gfms

The gcos_fms command performs certain functions of the GCOS File Management Supervisor (FMS) from Multics command level. Only one user's User Master Catalog (UMC) can be restored from a single USER SAVE tape per invocation.

Usage

gcos_fms -volume volume_id (-control_args)

where:

- -volume volume_id
 is the name of the FMS SAVE tape volume.

-control_file path, -cf path gives the pathname of an optional control file that contains FMS directives. The syntax of the control file is identical to that of the directives that follow the \$FILSYS card in a FILSYS activity except that lowercase ASCII characters are used in place of uppercase BCD (refer to the GCOS File Management Supervisor (FMS) manual, Order Number DD45). The entryname of the control file must have a gfms suffix The suffix may be omitted in the command line. The -control_file and =restore control_args may not be used together in the same command invocation.

The following GCOS directive is allowed: restore (must be given)

The following options to this directive are allowed: listopt doonly dontdo since

-set_smc_dir_mode path, -ssdm path -set_umc_dir_mode, -sudm -set_working_dir_mode, -swdm -set_home_dir_mode, -shdm -reset_dir_mode, -rsdm -----

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Refer to "Mapping of File Strings to Pathnames" in Section I (of the GCOS Environment Simulator Manual, ANOS, update for MR7.0) for a description of these control arguments.

For example, if the argument used is

-set_smc_dir_mode >udd>FileDev

then a file J.P.JONES/WORK will have the following Multics pathname:

>udd>FileDev>j.p.jones>work

-check, -ck

causes no action to be performed on the storage system; however, the report file that would have resulted from the execution of the command is written, and the control file is checked for syntax. This is an effective way of producing a restore map without actually doing the restore.

-putput_file path, -of path

writes the report from the execution of the command to a segment specified by path. Error messages are written to the file as well as error_output. If this argument is not specified, the report is written to to the user_output switch.

-brief, -of does not write the report or the tape information line (see Note below).

-restore umc_name/ =rest umc_name perform the FMS USER RESTORE function on the UMC umc_name. This argument must be used if no control_file argument is given. The tape used must be a USER SAVE.

Note

The command prints a line at the user's console identifying the save type and date written. This putput is inhibited with the -brief control_arg.

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