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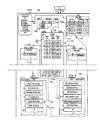
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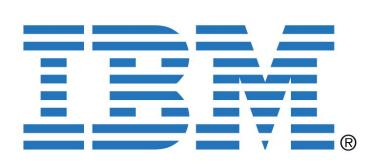
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Machine automated techniques are described for a method of data processing called Relationships Processing. A computing system is disclosed which provides for the high speed recording and extraction of data objects (entities) and for the development data representing a queried relationship between the entities. The system is expandable to handle the relatively voluminous data bases of lange, commercial data repositories. A user defines set of entities and allowed relationships between the entities. The user can expand this set of allowed entities and relationships at any time during the life of the system without reprogramming or compiling of computer programment one or dispute programment of the system. Large systems can now be built that are no longer limited to a scope of design requirements known during initial systems development. For a given set of defined relationships the system allows the user to perform complex inquiries (again without programming at the code level) that would normally require multiple nested inquiries to be coded programmatically and would not achieve the performance levels of the Relationships Processor.

18 Claims, 19 Drawing Sheets





### DB2 for LUW v8 Editions:

- Data Warehouse Enterprise
- Enterprise Server with Partitioning
- Information Integrator Advanced
- Enterprise Server
- Data Warehouse Standard
- Workgroup Server Unlimited
- Workgroup Server
- Express
- Express-C
- Personal
- Developer's Editions (PDE, UDE)

#### DB2 for LUW v10 Editions:

- IBM Smart Analytics System
- InfoSphere Warehouse
- Advanced Enterprise Server
- Enterprise
- Workgroup
- Express
- Express-C
- Developer's Edition (DEDE)

### DB2 for LUW v9 Editions:

- InfoSphere Balanced Warehouse
- IBM Smart Analytics System
- InfoSphere Warehouse
- Advanced Enterprise Server
- Enterprise
- Workgroup
- Express
- Express-C
- Personal
- Developer's Edition (DEDE)

#### All Editions of:

- DB2 Warehouse Manager v8 (including DB2 LUW)
- DB2 Information Integrator v8 (including DB2 LUW)
- WebSphere Information Integrator v8, v9 (including DB2 LUW)
- WebSphere Federation Server v9 (including DB2 LUW)
- InfoSphere Federation Server v9, v10 (including DB2 LUW)

## **Some Background Information: Tools Catalog Database**

With DB2 v8.1 software (in which documentation was marked as v8.2) items that were previously tables such as ATCHREL & RELINST had become views. See IBM's DB2 "Data Warehouse Center Application Integration Guide Version 8.2 (SC27112401)" [db2ade81.pdf], at pages 9, 125:

You import metadata into the Data Warehouse Center so that the Data Warehouse Center can extract and transform data for the warehouse or run partner applications that extract and transform data.

You can create views that are compatible with Information Catalog Manager Version 7 by using the Manage Information Catalog wizard. See the Information Catalog Manager Administration Guide for details. You might need to access these views if you had an application that uses SQL to access Information Catalog Manager metadata in Version 7.

FLG.ATCHREL view for the Data Warehouse Center

FLG.RELINST view for the Data Warehouse Center

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These version 7 compatibility views, as well as views such as REL\_INSTANCE\_UV and REL\_LINK\_UV in DB2 LUW v8.1 (e.g., the CREATE statements for the views), demonstrate that the new OBJECT\_TYPE table is used to store entity types, and that the new REL\_LINK table is used to store relation instances. These new tables exist in several places, including the 'Tools Catalog' database, and serve various modules including the Data Warehouse Center:

From http://publib.boulder.ibm.com/infocenter/db2luw/v8/topic/com.ibm.db2.udb.doc/core/r0008881.htm http://pic.dhe.ibm.com/infocenter/db2luw/v9r7/topic/com.ibm.db2.luw.admin.cmd.doc/doc/r0008881.html http://pic.dhe.ibm.com/infocenter/db2luw/v10r1/topic/com.ibm.db2.luw.admin.cmd.doc/doc/r0008881.html

db2 create tools catalog cc create new database toolsdb

After executing the above command, there would exist tables OBJECT\_TYPE, SYSIBM.SYSTABLES (pre-existing), REL\_LINK, REL\_INSTANCE and MDTASKTYPE00, as well as views REL\_INSTANCE\_UV and REL\_LINK\_UV.

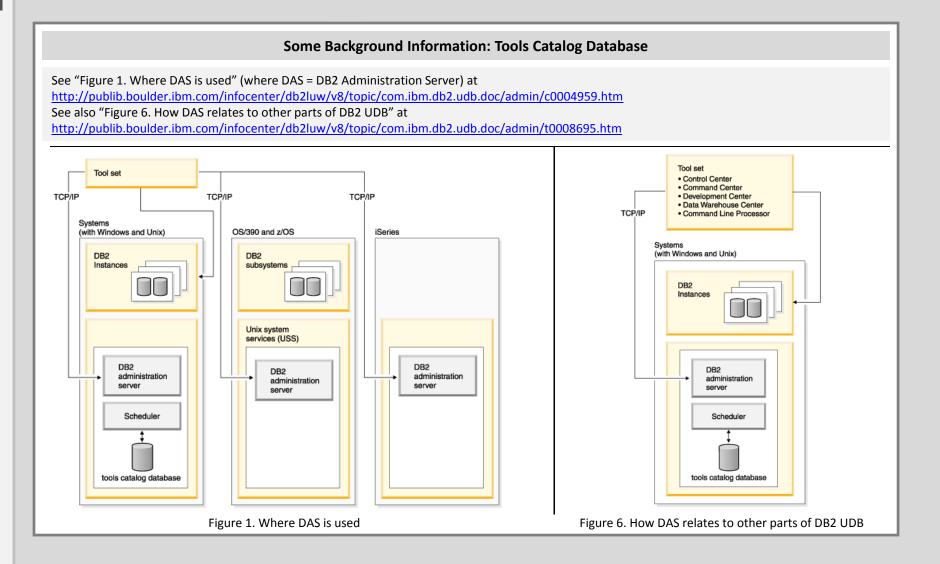
Note: DB2 v10 documentation states the tools catalog is being deprecated, but is still available if customers want it. See the following links:

 $\underline{\text{http://publib.boulder.ibm.com/infocenter/db2luw/v10r1/topic/com.ibm.db2.luw.qb.dbconn.doc/doc/c0008453.html}$ 

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http://publib.boulder.ibm.com/infocenter/db2luw/v10r1/topic/com.ibm.db2.luw.admin.cmd.doc/doc/r0052380.html



## Some Background Information: DB2 / WebSphere / InfoSphere: Information Integrator / Federation Server

http://www-01.ibm.com/support/docview.wss?uid=swg27009554#db2ii

... DB2 Information Integrator (now called WebSphere Information Integrator) ...

http://www-01.ibm.com/support/docview.wss?uid=swg21245039

IBM WebSphere Federation Server product name replaces the product names for IBM WebSphere Information Integrator: Standard Edition and WebSphere Information Integrator: Advanced Edition.

http://www-01.ibm.com/support/docview.wss?uid=swg21320617

The IBM WebSphere Federation Server software portfolio is being rebranded as IBM InfoSphere Federation Server.

http://publib.boulder.ibm.com/infocenter/db2luw/v8/topic/com.ibm.db2.ii.doc/start/ciiovr02.htm

Table 2. DB2 Information Integrator editions and the products and components that they include

DB2 Information Integrator components	Event Publisher Edition and Replication Edition	Standard Edition	Advanced Edition	Advanced Edition Unlimited	Developer Edition
DB2 Universal Database <sup>(TM)</sup> Enterprise Server Edition	Х	x	x	х	х
Q replication	X	X	X	Х	X
Nonrelational wrappers	Not included	X	X	X	X
Relational wrappers	X	X	X	X	X
DB2 Net Search Extender	Not included	X	X	X	X
DB2 Run Time Client (32-bit and 64- bit)	Х	X	X	х	х
DB2 Administration Client (32-bit and 64-bit)	Х	х	X	х	Х
DB2 Application Development Client (32-bit and 64-bit)	Not included	Not included	Not included	Not included	Х
DB2 XML Metadata Registry	X	X	X	Х	X
Application server for DB2	X	X	X	X	X
Java <sup>(TM)</sup> debugger	X	X	X	X	X

As shown in the first row of Table 2 (at left), all editions of DB2 Information Integrator use DB2 UDB, and thus all editions will also have access to the tools catalog database.

## Some Background Information: DB2 / WebSphere / InfoSphere: Information Integrator / Federation Server

"Data Federation with IBM DB2 Information Integrator V8.1 (SG24705200)" [sg247052.pdf], page 83:

#### 13. Tools catalog

In Figure 4-8 you need to select whether you want to prepare the DB2 tools catalog or not. To enable you to use some tools like the task center and scheduler, you have to prepare the catalog first. [Fig. 4-8 states "... The DB2 tools catalog contains task metadata. The DB2 Setup wizard can prepare a local database to store this metadata."]

"IBM WebSphere Information Integrator: Accessing and integrating diverse data for the on demand business" [a user management system for federated databases using web services.pdf] pages 9 & 25-26:

A federated system consists of a federated engine, a database, one or more data sources and clients to access the database and the set of data sources. Several steps are necessary to add a new data source to a federated system. The Control Center in IBM DB2 Universal Database (UDB) and WebSphere Information Integrator software comes with wizards to step users through these tasks, or they can be done manually via DDL statements.

WebSphere Information Integrator V8.2 federation offerings ...

**IBM WebSphere Information Integrator Standard Edition for Linux, UNIX and Windows** provides the full range of federation capabilities described in this paper across a wide range of distributed sources.

**IBM WebSphere Information Integrator Advanced Edition for Linux, UNIX and Windows** provides all of the same federation capabilities as WebSphere Information Integrator Standard Edition plus an unrestricted license for DB2 Universal Database Enterprise Server Edition V8.2 (DB2 UDB ESE). ...

**IBM WebSphere Information Integrator Advanced Edition Unlimited for Linux, UNIX and Windows** provides all the same federation capabilities as WebSphere Information Integrator Advanced Edition and includes entitlement for an unlimited number of data connections.

**IBM WebSphere Information Integrator Classic Federation for z/OS** ... When combined with WebSphere Information Integrator editions for Linux, UNIX and Windows, data can be federated between mainframe and distributed databases.

http://publib.boulder.ibm.com/infocenter/db2luw/v9/topic/com.ibm.websphere.ii.federation.query.doc/administering/tfpsts04.htm

Administering > Federated systems > Working with nicknames > Updating nickname statistics WebSphere Information Integration

Creating a DB2 tools catalog

When you update the statistics for a nickname, you can use a DB2® tools catalog to schedule subsequent updates to nickname statistics. If you lack a DB2 tools catalog, you are prompted to create a catalog. You can create a DB2 tools catalog from DB2 Control Center or the command line prompt, but you only can schedule the update with the DB2 Control Center. ...

2. Select the system that you want to create a database on for the DB2 tools catalog. ...

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