### DDL or DDS?

- A comparison of tools used to define data on the System i.
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### Data Definition Specifications

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#### R ITEMMASTR

- ITEMNBR17ACOMP (NE ' ')
- ITEMCLAS 2A COMP(NE ')
- PRICE9P 2COMP (GT 0)
- K ITEMNBR

### UPDDTA on DDS file

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### SQL against DDS file

## INSERT INTO ROB/ITEMMAST VALUES('', '', -5) 1 rows inserted in ITEMMAST in ROB.

### iNav against DDS file

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### DDL defined file

```
CREATE TABLE ROB/DDLMAST
(ITEMNBR CHAR (17) NOT NULL WITH DEFAULT,
PRIMARY KEY (ITEMNBR),
CHECK (ITEMNBR<>''),
ITEMCLAS CHAR (2) NOT NULL WITH DEFAULT,
CHECK (ITEMCLAS<>''),
PRICE DECIMAL (9, 2) NOT NULL WITH DEFAULT,
CHECK (PRICE>0))
RCDFMT DDLMASTR
```

### SQL against DDL file

#### INSERT INTO ROB/DDLMAST VALUES(' ', ' ', -5)

INSERT or UPDATE not allowed by CHECK constraint.

### iNav against DDL file

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### SQL and DDS Data Validation Differences

The major difference between these two types of physical database objects is the process that determines when the data is validated. For DDS, the data is validated as data is read through the open cursor. For SQL, data is validated as it is written through the open cursor.

### SQL and DDS Data Validation Differences



### DSPPFM of DDS file



### DDS: No check on write

CRTPF BADDATA RCDLEN(24)

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### Not on DDL file

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0 records copied to DDLMAST in ROB.

### Performance enhancements

• Many applications have an average of 25 reads to every write. If you move the validity checking to write time, performance will be better.

• DDL defaults to REUSEDLT, or "reuse deleted records". Allows "concurrent write" support.

# Performance enhancements (cont)

• DDL defined files will have a 64K page size vs 8-32K page size from DDS.

### Source?

Store in QDDSSRC, "compile" with RUNSQLSTM

### What about column headings?

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ITEMNBR	17A	COMP(NE ' ')
		COLHDG('Item' 'Number')
ITEMCLAS	2A	COMP(NE '')
		COLHDG('Item' 'Class')
PRICE	9P 2	COMP(GT 0)
		COLHDG(' ' 'Price')

K ITEMNBR

### Column headings in SQL

```
CREATE TABLE ROB/DDLMAST
(ITEMNBR CHAR (17) NOT NULL WITH DEFAULT,
  PRIMARY KEY (ITEMNBR),
  CHECK (ITEMNBR<>' '),
 ITEMCLAS CHAR (2) NOT NULL WITH DEFAULT,
  CHECK (ITEMCLAS<>' '),
 PRICE DECIMAL (9, 2) NOT NULL WITH
DEFAULT,
  CHECK (PRICE>0))
RCDFMT DDLMASTR;
```

### Column headings

```
LABEL ON COLUMN ITEMNBR
IS 'Item Number';
LABEL ON COLUMN ITEMCLAS
IS 'Item Class';
LABEL ON COLUMN PRICE
IS 'Price';
```

### Field Reference File

#### CREATE TABLE EMPLOYEE AS (SELECT EMPLOYEE\_ID, NAME, etc. FROM FIELDREF) WITH NO DATA

Yes, it does bring the column headings along. No, it does not bring the constraints along.

### Constraints

ITEMCLAS CHAR (2 ) NOT NULL WITH DEFAULT, CHECK (ITEMCLAS<>' ' ), FOREIGN KEY (ITEMCLAS) REFERENCES IIC (ICLAS) ON DELETE NO ACTION ON UPDATE NO ACTION,

### RCDFMT clause

In older releases of i5/os SQL did not support the RCDFMT clause. Commonly what one did was CREATE TABLE and then rename it.

### Embedding UDF's

CREATE VIEW wPricing AS SELECT LPROD, LQORD, LCUST, LRDTE,

pricing(lprod, lqord, lcust, lrdte) as PRICE FROM ordline

### Multi member files

Partitioned tables

Foreign key constraints

### Identity columns

```
CREATE TABLE ROB/ORDMAST
(ORDNBR INTEGER GENERATED ALWAYS AS IDENTITY,
CUSTNBR INTEGER,
ITEMNBR CHAR (17));
```

```
INSERT INTO ROB/ORDMAST
 (CUSTNBR, ITEMNBR) VALUES(5, 'A');
```

SELECT \* FROM ORDMAST; ORDNBR CUSTNBR ITEMNBR 1 5 A

### Identity value

Exec sql
VALUES IDENTITY\_VAL\_LOCAL() INTO :IVAR;

Dump using dummy file SYSDUMMY1 and use VALUES

6.1 also supports: select ordnbr from final table ( INSERT INTO ROB/ORDMAST (CUSTNBR, ITEMNBR) VALUES(7, 'C'))

### ADDPFCST trick

You can use ADDPFCST to add a key to a "\*OUTFILE"

### 6.1 HIDDEN & ROW CHANGE TIMESTAMP

**CREATE TABLE tickets(** ticket ord INTEGER, ticket qty INTEGER, ticket event VARCHAR(10), ticket ts TIMESTAMP NOT NULL **IMPLICITLY HIDDEN** FOR EACH ROW ON UPDATE AS ROW CHANGE TIMESTAMP); **INSERT INTO tickets** VALUES(1,11,'mvGAME1'); **NOTE:** Only 3 column values passed on INSERT

### 6.1 HIDDEN & ROW CHANGE TIMESTAMP

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### 6.1 LF's for RLA

#### CREATE INDEX ROB/IIML01R ON IIM (IPROD) WHERE IID='IM' RCDFMT IIML01RR ADD IPROD, IDESC, ICLAS

### System reference tables

Select \* from QSYS2/SYSCOLUMNS

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