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This revision of *UNICOS under UNICOS Administrator's Guide*, Cray Research publication SG–2156, supports the 10.0 release of the UNICOS operating system. It contains the following changes:

- UNICOS under UNICOS does not support CRAY EL series and CRAY J90 series systems with VME IOS hardware.
- References to Trusted UNICOS have been changed to Cray ML-Safe.
- Information has been added regarding the user's guest.rc file not being updated automatically.
- Information has been added on UNICOS under UNICOS interactions with the SWS, GigaRing environment, and SSD-T storage.
- Information has been updated on validating a user.
- Instructions have been updated for configuring links .
- Examples have been updated.

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This publication describes the UNICOS under UNICOS feature. It provides the descriptions and procedures necessary to accomplish the following tasks:

- Configure a guest system
- Boot a guest system
- Troubleshoot a guest system

## Related publications

The following documents contain additional information that may be helpful:

- UNICOS User Commands Reference Manual, Cray Research publication SR-2011
- UNICOS Installation Guide, Cray Research publication SG-2112
- NQE Administration, Cray Research publication SG-2150
- General UNICOS System Administration, Cray Research publication SG-2301
- UNICOS Configuration Administrator's Guide, Cray Research publication SG-2303
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Convention	Meaning			
command	This fixed-space font denotes literal items such as commands, files, routines, path names, signals, messages, and programming language structures.			
manpage(x)	Man page section identifiers appear in parentheses after man page names. The following list describes the identifiers:			
	1	User commands		
	1B	User commands ported from BSD		
	2	System calls		
	3	Library routines, macros, and opdefs		
	4	Devices (special files)		
	4P	Protocols		
	5	File formats		
	7	Miscellaneous topics		
	7D	DWB-related information		
	8	Administrator commands		
	_assign_a	al routines (for example, the sgcmd_info() routine) do not have associated with them.		
variable	Italic typeface denotes variable entries and words or concepts being defined.			

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user input	This bold, fixed-space font denotes literal items that the user enters in interactive sessions. Output is shown in nonbold, fixed-space font.
[]	Brackets enclose optional portions of a command or directive line.
	Ellipses indicate that a preceding element can be repeated.

The following machine naming conventions may be used throughout this document:

<u>Term</u>	<u>Definition</u>
Cray PVP systems	All configurations of Cray parallel vector processing (PVP) systems.
Cray MPP systems	All configurations of the CRAY T3D series. The UNICOS operating system is not supported on CRAY T3E systems. CRAY T3E systems run the UNICOS/mk operating system.
All Cray Research systems	All configurations of Cray PVP and Cray MPP systems that support this release.

The default shell in the UNICOS and UNICOS/mk operating systems, referred to in Cray Research documentation as the *standard shell*, is a version of the Korn shell that conforms to the following standards:

- Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers (IEEE) Portable Operating System Interface (POSIX) Standard 1003.2–1992
- X/Open Portability Guide, Issue 4 (XPG4)

The UNICOS and UNICOS/mk operating systems also support the optional use of the C shell.

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# Introduction [1]

The UNICOS under UNICOS feature lets a site run two copies of the UNICOS operating system concurrently on a single Cray Research mainframe. One UNICOS system, the *host*, boots normally with most of the system resources. A second UNICOS system, the *guest*, can be started by an authorized user. This second system should be considered a completely **separate** Cray system. A guest system requires its own administration (separate from the host system) and is seen as an independent machine by users and networks.

When planning to run or configure a guest system, you must keep in mind that a guest is a complete second operating system. It requires the same minimal resources as any stand-alone kernel, including mainframe memory and basic file systems.

Both the host and the guest system must contain support for the UNICOS under UNICOS feature.

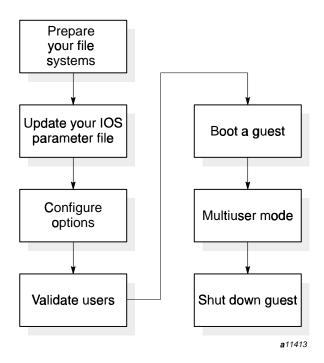
**Note:** This feature is not an application running on the host. There are two distinct kernels coexisting on the hardware.

The guest feature is designed for software testing and system upgrading, and not for production.

Although this feature is designed for multiple guests, only **one** active guest is currently supported on a host system.

#### 1.1 Checklist

This document is intended to guide you through the entire process of planning, installing, configuring, and running a guest system. The following is a summary of the steps needed to get your guest system running in multiuser mode.



The following is a checklist of changes you need to make to get a guest system running in multiuser mode:

- Prepare your roots for running as a host or a guest
  - You will need to change your root file systems so that they can be run as either a host or a guest. This entails creating guest and host versions of selected files (such as /etc/fstab).
- Update your IOS parameter to accommodate a guest system and create a guest IOS parameter file (primarily for the SSD solid-state storage device partitioning considerations).
- Configure your UNICOS under UNICOS feature options
  - Use the UNICOS Installation/Configuration Menu System to set up your guest system profile (for things like maximum guest memory, CPU percentage, and so on).
- Validate a user
- Boot a guest to single-user mode

- Obtain the guest console and bring a guest to multiuser mode
- Shut down your guest system

# 1.2 Organization

This document describes the UNICOS under UNICOS feature and is organized as follows:

- Features
- Hardware support
- Software support
- Limitations
- Installation and configuration
- Getting started
- Multiuser mode guests
- Monitoring and analysis
- Troubleshooting
- guest Messages

This chapter describes the general capabilities of the UNICOS under UNICOS feature. Figure 1 illustrates the basic concept of the feature.

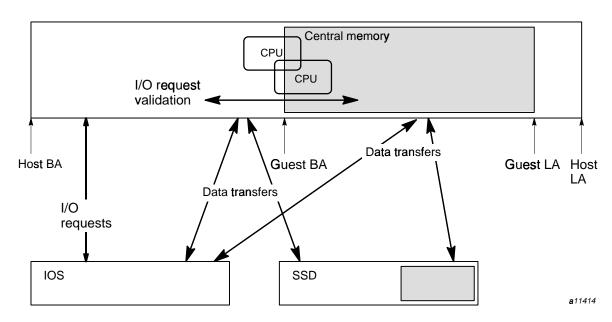


Figure 1. UNICOS under UNICOS concept

At guest boot time, the guest kernel and associated user space are allocated contiguously from the high address end of host user memory. Although the host kernel may access all of the physical memory, the guest kernel is limited to its own system and user space.

Guest central memory (shaded box) allocation is static in nature. That is, guest system memory is allocated dynamically from host memory at guest boot time, and is returned at guest termination. Guest memory is static for the life of the guest.

The administrator can configure minimum host CPUs and the guest user can set the maximum number of CPUs.

The SSD solid-state storage device is also statically allocated. SSD space that you plan to use on the guest must not be in use by the host at guest boot time.

This is also true for guest SSD memory (shaded box). The SSD allocation cannot be altered while the guest is running.

Guest CPU allocation, on the other hand, is dynamic. By default, there are no minimum or maximum number of CPUs that must (or can) be assigned to a guest system. Rather, the host is aware of the user workloads on both host and guest systems, and it will allocate CPUs to satisfy each of the kernel's requirements (within the constraints of CPU load balancing which is specified by the system administrator using the guest(1) command).

The IOS is shared by the host and guest systems and is unaware of the guest's presence. IOS code was not needed to support the UNICOS under UNICOS feature. SSD and IOS data transfers occur directly to and from guest memory, rather than being buffered through the host.

The major functional aspects of the UNICOS under UNICOS feature are as follows:

- A system containing support for the guest feature can run as either a guest or a host without recompiling.
- Guest and host kernels can be of different release and revision levels (for example, you can boot a UNICOS 10.0 guest from a UNICOS 9.0.2 host).

Support will be provided for running a revision (such as UNICOS 9.0. n+1) to a particular level as a guest to the preceding revision (UNICOS 9.0.n) of that level. Support also will be provided for running one major release level (such as UNICOS 10.0) as a guest to the preceding release level (UNICOS 9.0).

Major system architectural changes may prevent a new release level from running as a guest to the predecessor system. For a list of releases supporting your kernel as a guest, see the current *Cray Research Service Bulletin* (CRSB).

- Guest kernels run in monitor mode.
- UNICOS under UNICOS safeguards :
  - Guest kernels can access only the memory allocated to them.
  - The host detects physical disk and SSD slice overlap.
  - The host detects I/O path overlaps.
- The host validates all SSD and IOS requests. Memory transfers are then made directly to and from the guest system's memory.

- The host performs the following functions on behalf of the guest:
  - User exchanges
  - Memory error handling
  - Register parity error handling
  - Physical I/O
- Guest panics typically do not cause a panic in the host.
- CPUs are scheduled dynamically across systems within specified percentages.
- Many major resources (such as SSD, disk, BMR, and network adapters) can be shared
- The guest and host kernels share the I/O subsystem (IOS). The IOS draws no distinction between guest and host I/O requests.
- The guest(1) command is installed in the /etc directory. It is the user interface of the UNICOS under UNICOS feature and performs the following functions:
  - Starts a guest system by using the specified amount of memory
  - Stops a guest system
  - Releases guest system memory
  - Changes CPU percentages and ownership of running guests
  - Dumps running or stopped guest system memory
  - Returns the status of all active systems to any user

# Hardware Support [3]

This chapter lists the hardware that is supported with the UNICOS under UNICOS feature.

#### 3.1 Mainframes

This feature supports all Cray PVP systems (excluding the CRAY EL series and CRAY J90 series with VME IOS hardware).

**Note:** CRAY T3E systems running the UNICOS/mk operating system are not supported.

## 3.2 Hardware requirements

When considering resource requirements, remember that two distinct kernels will reside on your system. The size of each system depends on your specific configurations for each of them, and your requirements for user process space.

<u>UNICOS level</u>	Minimum memory
9.0	8 Mwords
10.0	12 Mwords

**Note:** A kernel built for a large machine (such as one with 128 Mwords) may not function well (or at all) as a guest on a system with less than 16 Mwords.

# 3.3 Unsupported hardware

The following peripherals are not supported on your guest system (but are still supported on your host system):

- Expander peripherals
- CRAY T3D systems
- ER90 tape drives
- Cray ND-12 and ND-14 disks
- Maximum Strategy and IBM disk arrays

- Shared file system HIPPI semaphore devices and multiple SSDs
- HIPPI disk and tape devices
- SSD-T (GigaRing Solid State Storage for CRAY J90 and CRAY T90 series systems)

# Software Support [4]

This chapter describes the operating system requirements, IOS levels, and supported software for the UNICOS under UNICOS feature.

# 4.1 Operating system requirements

To use the UNICOS under UNICOS feature for upgrading your UNICOS base system to a new UNICOS operating system, you must meet the following requirements:

• Your host and guest kernels must be one of the following combinations:

Level	9.0 guest	10.0 guest <sup>1</sup>
9.0 host	S	T
10.0 host <sup>1</sup>	S	T

S = Supported

T = Tested and supported

You must have a UNICOS 9.0 (or later) host with a UNICOS 9.0 (or later) guest.

Support information will be kept current in the *Cray Research Service Bulletin* (CRSB ).

UNICOS, with the UNICOS under UNICOS feature integrated, was regression tested with the following configurations:

- UNICOS as a stand-alone system
- UNICOS as a host system while running a guest UNICOS system
- UNICOS as a guest system

<sup>1</sup> UNICOS 10.0 is the first release level that supports CRAY J90 and CRAY T90 systems using GigaRing support

### 4.2 IOS levels

Your IOS level must support the highest level of either your host or guest system. For example, when running UNICOS 10.0 as a guest under UNICOS 9.0.2, your IOS level must be IOS 9.0.2.

# 4.3 Unsupported software

This feature does not support the following software:

- Operating and monitoring guests from the OWS-E graphical interface (opi). Guest system status is **not** shown on the opi display.
- Operating and monitoring guests from the SWS (GigaRing based).
- Cray shared file systems (SFSs).

This chapter describes hardware and software limitations, as well as limitations on the use of online diagnostics.

#### 5.1 Hardware and software limitations

Although the guest system performance is only marginally less than the host, the UNICOS under UNICOS feature is intended for system testing and upgrading software, and not for creating another production system.

The following are general limitations of this feature:

- The use of a CRAY T3D system from the guest is not supported.
- The guest system is not operated or monitored from the OWS or SWS.
- Tape configurations **must** be identical on the host and the guest. That is, all devices must be in the same position (ordinal) in the configuration. ER90 tapes, though unsupported in the guest, should still be used as place holders in the guest configuration. See Appendix B, page 59, for more information.
- SSD space intended for the guest system must not be in use on the host (that is, SSD space cannot be dynamically allocated at guest boot time). SSD-T storage is not supported (see Section 3.3, page 9).
- Multiple SSDs are not supported.
- Logical CPU 0 is required for booting a guest; therefore, it must not be down at guest boot time.
- Real-time applications may act differently on a guest or a host that has an
  active guest.
- Dedicating a CPU to a process (cpu(8)) in the guest or in a host with an active guest may result in sporadic execution of the process.
- Unlike the NSC N130 network adapter , HIPPI and FCA-1 (FDDI) interfaces cannot be shared between the host and guest for multiple, simultaneous TCP/IP connections.

Note that a HIPPI channel can still be shared for other applications.

- No GigaRing supported network adapter can be shared. You will need a second network adapter (for example, MPN Ethernet card) for your guest.
- If an alternate path is available for a disk device shared by the host and guest, both paths **must** be configured in each system.

# 5.2 Online diagnostics

Online diagnostics are available on both the host and the guest. However, it is advisable that you run them only on the host because of the following considerations:

#### • SMARTE

System Maintenance and Remote Testing Environment (SMARTE) is only supported on the host.

#### CPU diagnostics

Performance degradation may occur with the CPU diagnostics while the guest is active. The CPU diagnostics program (olsbt(8)) should not be run on either the host or the guest while the guest is active.

#### OLNET

When using the NSC module of the OLNET online diagnostic network communications program in the UNICOS under UNICOS environment, the following situation may cause OLNET not to function as expected: when UNICOS configures up an NSC channel, the associated NSC adapter's unit address is sent from the IOS back to UNICOS so that it can verify that the adapter's unit address is what was specified in the hycf configuration file. This unit address also is used when sending packets between the IOS and the UNICOS process that requested the transfer.

The notification of the adapter's unit address is sent to only the UNICOS host or guest that requested that the channel be configured up. If the guest side configured the channel up, the host side would not be notified of the adapter's unit address, and vice versa. What this means to the OLNET NSC test suite is that some data transfer operations may fail when OLNET is run from a UNICOS system that did not configure up the channel. For example, the local loopback (LL) test mode does not operate successfully; however, the remote loopback (RL) test mode can be used to test the local adapter by specifying the local adapter's address as the *remote address* parameter.

# Installation and Configuration [6]

This chapter describes installation and configuration procedures for the UNICOS under UNICOS feature. This chapter is only useful for understanding UNICOS under UNICOS configuration issues. Step-by-step instructions are described in Chapter 7, page 23.

### 6.1 Installation

The UNICOS under UNICOS feature is installed with the base UNICOS product. No special kernel configuration or build is required. To install UNICOS, see the *UNICOS Installation Guide*, Cray Research publication SG–2112.

## 6.2 Configuration

The following sections describe considerations for configuring a guest system.

#### 6.2.1 Guest feature configuration

The UNICOS under UNICOS feature is configured by using the UNICOS Installation/Configuration Menu System. An example configuration session is shown in Section 7.1. In this section, the term *guest user* refers to any user who has the user database (UDB) privileges required to boot a guest kernel. These privileges are discussed in detail in section Section 7.1.5, page 29.

This menu system performs the following functions:

- Controls disk media access by user
- Converts old structures to new ones
- Imports existing UNICOS under UNICOS configuration information into the menu system configuration database

For this feature, you will need to specify site-specific information in the following areas:

- UNICOS under UNICOS (guest) configuration
   Allows you to configure the options of the UNICOS under UNICOS feature.
- Guest defaults

Sets global default values for all guest users.

• Guest logical device authorization

Validates users to mount and unmount specific logical disk devices by using the quest(1) command.

• Guest file link configuration

Allows you to specify a list of files that should be linked at multiuser startup to a host or guest counterpart, depending on the running system type.

• Guest user validation

Allows you to authorize guest users and to further restrict or enhance their capabilities from configured guest defaults.

For information on using the menu system, see the *UNICOS System Configuration Using ICMS*, Cray Research publication SG–2412.

#### 6.2.2 File system considerations

This section describes things you should consider when preparing your file systems for use by a guest.

• General information

Although physical disks can be shared between host and guest, a disk or SSD slice opened on the host cannot be opened on the guest. The host ensures that this requirement is met. An attempt to do so causes an open error on the guest.

Your /tmp and /swap space will need to be sufficient to support whatever size load you intend to run on the guest.

**Note:** Nonsecure file systems cannot be mounted under a UNICOS multilevel security (MLS) host or guest. Nonsecure file systems may be network file system (NFS) mounted, and in this case, the file systems are restricted to one security label that is defined in the network access list (NAL) entry for the NFS host. If a process is executing with a security label that is unequal to that of the NFS server, the MLS system mandatory access control (MAC) policy will prevent write operations to the NFS-mounted files.

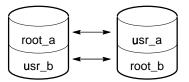
Guest systems require the following file systems:

root usr swap

Typically, /swap space can be allocated from unused (available) disk or SSD space. For information on restrictions on SSD usage in a guest, see Section 7.1.1, page 23

- You are advised to have a /tmp file system.
- To minimize the impact of having a guest environment coexisting on your hardware platform, you should consider how you want to divide and configure your resources (because a backup or build root file system probably will be used on a guest).

Traditionally, it has been recommended that you keep your backup root (and backup /usr) on a separate device. However, to minimize channel contention and to maintain peak performance when your guest is running, you should consider dividing your host and guest file systems, as shown in Figure 2.



Previous backup configuration

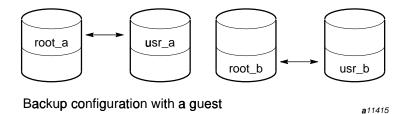


Figure 2. File system disk location

• When mounting the home or other file system(s) for use on a guest, you may consider NFS mounting the host's user file system(s). This provides users immediate access to their existing directories and files.

Note: If you choose this method for home or other file systems, be sure that users understand that the file system is NFS mounted and is not a virtual copy. All changes will take effect on the host file system. Applications and scripts that usually write to these directories may appear to have failed when run simultaneously on the host and the guest. To avoid this, work in the \$TMPDIR directory, write output files to \$TMPDIR (which is local to each system), or append the system's uts node name (obtained with uname -n) to output file names.

The user root does not have any special permission on an NFS-mounted file system unless you specify: root=hostname in the /etc/exports file. See the exports(8) man page for more information. If you do not give the guest system NFS-root permission on the host, programs that run as root and attempt to create or change files on these NFS file systems will exit abnormally. This can be avoided by running in the \$TMPDIR directory as well.

#### 6.2.3 IOS parameter files

Before running a guest, you may have to make some minor modifications to your current system's parameter file. The changes are discussed using excerpts from the parameter files. Changes also can be managed by using the UNICOS Installation/Configuration Menu System.

For complete parameter file information and examples, see Section 7.1.3, page 24.

#### 6.2.4 MLS considerations

When a UNICOS multilevel security (MLS) guest runs under a non-MLS UNICOS host, or a non-MLS UNICOS guest runs under a UNICOS MLS host, the full protection of UNICOS MLS is not available. Users of the non-MLS component may be able to gain access to resources controlled by the MLS component, thereby compromising MLS security policies. Although such a configuration is suitable for experimental use of UNICOS MLS, it is not recommended for an MLS production environment.

In a mixed MLS/non-MLS environment, certain file systems are labeled for use under UNICOS MLS, and other file systems are not. Unless a file system is labeled, UNICOS MLS will reject attempts to mount it.

Under non-MLS UNICOS, a secure file system may be mounted only if the SECURE\_MOUNT configuration option is disabled. Note that MLS attributes of files are not maintained by non-MLS UNICOS, nor are the MLS security policies enforced. As a result, the security of MLS file systems may be compromised if they are mounted under non-MLS UNICOS.

When a UNICOS MLS guest is run with a UNICOS MLS host, the security protections for file systems and data are maintained. However, this configuration is not part of the Cray ML-Safe system configuration.

#### 6.2.5 Configuration links

The UNICOS under UNICOS feature allows you to specify a list of files that should be linked at multiuser startup to host and guest counterparts (such as .host or .guest) depending on the running system type. It is generally best to configure all root file systems on your system to run as both a host or a guest. But when getting started, the configuration links are only required on the root file system, which will be run as a guest.

Although guest and host versions of selected configuration files are not necessary, they do facilitate the use of a single root as either a host or a guest root. By doing this you will facilitate future installations. Take, for example, /etc/fstab. Because a guest is not allowed to access physical disk slices mounted on the host, retaining the same fstab(5) file (for both host and guest) will result in a significant number of open errors at guest multiuser startup. To avoid such errors, you should create multiple versions of the /etc/fstab file so that only the appropriate file systems are mounted when the root is run as either a guest or a host.

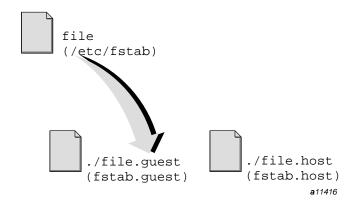


Figure 3. Example link for a system running as a guest

**Note:** These steps are instructional in nature and **should not** be executed at this time.

To create this link, take the following steps:

1. Invoke the UNICOS Installation/ Configuration Menu System by entering the following commands:

```
cd /mntl/etc/install
./install
```

2. These commands get you into the main installation menu. Select the following from the menu:

```
M-> Configure System
```

3. Select the following option:

```
Dumpsys utility configuration ==>
M-> UNICOS under UNICOS (guest) configuration ==>
Miscellaneous software configuration ==>
Import the configuration ...
Activate the configuration ...
```

Asynchronous libraries configuration ==>

- 4. Add /etc/fstab to the list of guest configuration files in the Guest File Link Configuration menu.
- 5. Activate the guest configuration.

- 6. Select and execute Create Guest and Host versions of files. This creates the /etc/fstab.host and /etc/fstab.quest files.
- 7. Go back to the Activation Utility menu, select Activation Options, and then select Activate host or guest versions. Toggle the selection to guest as shown:
  - . Utilities
  - . . Activation Utility
  - . . Activation Options
    Activation root mount poin

Stop activation on error?

YES

S-> Activate host or guest versions
Activate host or guest versions.

guest

- 8. Go back to the Import Utility menu, select Import Options, and then select Import host or guest versions. Toggle the selection to guest as shown:
  - . Utilities
  - . . Import Utility
  - . . . Import Options

Import root mount point
Stop import on error?

NO?

S-> Import host or guest versions?
Reload default import table ...

Activate host or guest versions.

- 9. To import the fstab configuration by using the UNICOS Installation/Configuration Menu System, enter the following update screen:
  - . Configure System
  - . . File System (fstab) Configuration

You are now ready to edit the guest fstab information.

10. Remove references to the file systems not needed on the guest system, and activate the fstab(5) configuration.

With the guest attribute set in the activation utility, files listed in /etc/config/guest\_config will be linked to their .guest counterparts before the activation. Do not be alarmed if the activation says that it is activating to /etc/fstab if your intent is to update /etc/fstab.guest.

When a system is booted on this root, / etc/brc.guest determines the system type (host or guest) and appropriately sets the soft file links for all files listed in /etc/config/guest\_config.

11. Return to host Import/Activate mode by repeating steps 7 and 8. Choose host instead of guest.

# Getting Started [7]

This chapter describes the steps you need to take to get a guest system up-and-running in single-user mode. It is assumed that you have read the previous chapters of this document. If you want to go immediately to multiuser mode, read this chapter and then proceed to Chapter 8, page 45, which describes additional considerations for parameter and configuration files.

## 7.1 Preparing your host for a guest

This section describes the items that need to be in place or performed prior to booting a guest system.

#### 7.1.1 General considerations

The following is a list of general considerations:

- Be certain that both your host and guest systems contain the UNICOS under UNICOS feature code. For information about supported systems, see Chapter 3, page 9, and Chapter 4, page 11.
- Evaluate your resource requirements
  - General UNICOS System Administration, Cray Research publication SG–2301, contains information about main memory and mass storage requirements for the products associated with a particular UNICOS release. These requirements will vary, depending on the environment you configure for your site.
- Note that IOS-host-guest dumps can be much larger than host dumps (up to twice the size), so you may need to increase your dump partition. If taking dumps to an SWS, be sure that the file system on which dumps are placed has as much available space as possible (remove or compress old dumps).
- Evaluate mainframe memory requirements

If you intend to run significant loads on both your host and guest systems and your current system is saturated, you may need additional memory. Memory is allocated at guest boot time and requires no changes to the host parameter file. The guest parameter file must not contain the MEMORY line.

Keep in mind that the amount of LDCHCORE (amount of mainframe memory used for ldcache) configured into your kernel or specified in the parameter file may be inappropriate (too large) for your guest system.

• Evaluate SSD requirements

Unlike main memory, SSD is not dynamically allocated at guest boot time. If you want to allow the use of secondary data segments (SDS) and/or ldcache on the guest system, you will have to decrease the allocation of SSD at host boot time. This requires a change in your parameter file (param).

You can still make use of the SSD slices on the host until the guest starts by maintaining them as scratch file systems. Make sure that these devices are not mounted (open) on the host at guest boot time.

**Note:** SSD-T storage is not supported on the CRAY J90 and CRAY T90 series of systems.

• Check CPUS parameter

The guest parameter file must not contain the CPUS parameter.

### 7.1.2 Guest file systems

When you are preparing your guest file systems, note the following information:

- A guest requires full root (/), /usr, and swap file system resources. A separate /tmp file system also is suggested. If you do not want to use your current back-up file systems, you will need a new guest root (/) and /usr file system.
- Any disk slice opened and/or mounted on a guest must not be opened and/or mounted on the host. Doing so will result in an error at device-open time.

#### 7.1.3 IOS parameter files

This section describes IOS parameter file considerations.

Before running a guest, you may have to make some minor modifications to your current system's parameter file. The changes are discussed using excerpts from the parameter files. Changes also can be managed by the UNICOS Installation/Configuration Menu System.

**Note:** Although guest parameter files can be placed anywhere on the file system, it is recommended that you create a directory in /usr/guest to hold them.

Depending upon the number of physical slices comprising your guest's locally mounted (that is, non-NFS mounted) file systems, it may be necessary for you to add a NGRT = nnn specification to your host parameter file. This directive sets the number of GRT (Global Resource table) entries to the specified value. The GRT is present only in the host system.

In general, if the number of file system slices in the guest configuration exceeds one half that of the host, it would be advisable to increase the GRT count. The host's default GRT allocation will accommodate a guest having half the number of physical slices of the host. This should be sufficient for most sites.

If you decide to increase the GRT count, the following formula may be useful:

```
NGRT = host_slices + guest_slices + N + T
```

The factors in the expression are defined as follows:

host\_slices The number of disk and SSD physical slices

configured in the host.

guest\_slices The number of disk and SSD physical slices

configured in the guest.

N The total number of network device logical paths

configured in the guest.

The number of tape units configured in the host.

The host must be rebooted for the GRT size increase to take effect.

### 7.1.3.1 UNICOS (host) parameter files

The following are considerations for UNICOS (host) parameter files:

 Do you want to allocate SSD memory to the guest? Unlike mainframe memory, SSD memory cannot be allocated at guest boot time. Therefore, if you want the guest to use part of the SSD, you must change the host's IOS parameter file, removing usage of that portion of the SSD to be used by the guest, and reboot the host with the changed IOS parameter file.

The following IOS model E example reserves two slices of SSD for the guest and requires that the SSD be repartitioned to create another slice.

SSD ssd

The following is an SSD configuration before repartitioning:

```
length 128 Mwords;
pdd ssd_blk0
                  {minor
                             2; block
                                              0; length 32768 blocks;}
pdd ssd_blk1
                                         32768; length 32768 blocks;}
                  {minor
                             3; block
pdd ssd_blk2
                  {minor
                                         65536; length 65536 blocks;}
                            4; block
pdd ssd_blk3
                  {minor
                             5; block
                                       131072; length 131072 blocks;}
     }
ldd ssd_blk0
                  { minor
                              2; pdd ssd_blk0
                                                  ; }
ldd ssd_blk1
                  { minor
                             3; pdd ssd_blk1
                                                  ; }
ldd ssd_blk2
                  { minor
                              4; pdd ssd_blk2
                                                  ; }
ldd ssd_blk3
                  { minor
                             5; pdd ssd_blk3
                                                  ; }
                        The following is a sample configuration after making another slice available
                        for the guest:
               {
SSD ssd
length 128 Mwords;
pdd ssd_blk0
                  {minor
                             2; block
                                              0; length 32768 blocks;}
pdd ssd_blk1
                  {minor
                             3; block
                                         32768; length
                                                         32768 blocks;}
pdd ssd_blk2
                  {minor
                             4; block
                                         65536; length 32768 blocks;}
pdd ssd_blk2a
                  {minor
                             5; block
                                         98304; length 32768 blocks;}
pdd ssd_blk3
                                        131072; length 131072 blocks;}
                  {minor
                             6; block
     }
ldd ssd_blk0
                  { minor
                             2; pdd ssd_blk0
                                                  ; }
ldd ssd_blk1
                  { minor
                             3; pdd ssd_blk1
                                                  ; }
ldd ssd_blk2
                  { minor
                             4; pdd ssd_blk2
                                                  ; }
ldd ssd blk2a
                              5; pdd ssd_blk2a
                  { minor
                                                  ; }
ldd ssd_blk3
                  { minor
                              6; pdd ssd_blk3
                                                  ; }
                        The following SSD slices are used on the host:
                        ssd_blk0
                                                   For sdsdev
                        ssd_blk2
                                                   For swapdev
                        ssd blk3
                                                   For /tmp
                        The following slices are used by the guest:
                        ssd_blk1
                                                   For swapdev
```

For sdsdevw

Will the guest be attempting to access a device not usually used on the host?
 If so, it should be configured for the host as well. Whenever possible, the host should be aware of all hardware to be used by both systems.

In the following example, the host uses an NSC A130 for its network connection. The guest uses an NSC N130. The N130 could also have been shared between the host and guest by specifying different logical paths in /etc/hycf.hyp.

For example, logical path 5 has traditionally been used for TCP/IP on an N130. The adapter address for a system named sn1703 is 0x86. The current connection through logical path 5 was specified in /etc/hycf.hyp, as follows:

```
direct sn1703-hyp 8605 ff00 0 16432;
```

The following line was added to allow another connection using logical path 7 for the guest:

```
direct sn1703a-hyp 8607 ff00 0 16432;
```

Then the following line was added to the /etc/hosts file:

```
128.162.82.80 sn1703a sn1703a-hyp sn1703a.cray.com
```

As with any network connection information, these changes must be broadcasted to all machines that require access to the guest.

**Note:** The N130 and A130 adapter must be made aware of the new IP address by placing the address and its associated logical path in the NSC startup file. See your local network administrator or your NSC service representative for more information.

The network device configuration follows:

```
npdev 0 {
        iopath {cluster 0; eiop 0; channel 030;}
        np_spec S_FEI3FY;
      }
npdev 1 {
        iopath {cluster 0; eiop 0; channel 032;}
        np_spec S_N130;
}
npdev 2 {
        iopath {cluster 0; eiop 0; channel 034;}
        np_spec S_FEIVA;
```

```
}
npdev 3 {
    iopath {cluster 0; eiop 0; channel 036;}
    np_spec S_A130;
}
```

### 7.1.3.2 Guest parameter files

Like any UNICOS system, the guest requires a parameter file. Unlike a stand-alone system, the guest parameter file is not transferred to the operator workstation (OWS or SWS), but it remains on your mainframe disk. To prevent configuration overlaps, make a copy of the host parameter file on the mainframe.

To create a guest parameter file from a copy of the (new) host parameter file created in the previous section, make the following changes:

• Remove the following mainframe specification from the guest parameter file:

```
nn Mwords memory;
```

A guest can be allocated different amounts of memory at each boot. This parameter prevents a guest from starting with anything less than nn Mwords.

• Change rootdev, swapdev, and sdsdev:

```
Old (host): rootdev is ldd root.a; swapdev is ldd ssd_blk2; sdsdev is pdd ssd_blk0; New (guest): rootdev is ldd root.b; swapdev is ldd ssd_blk1; sdsdev is pdd ssd_blk2a;
```

**Note:** A guest root device mounted on the host at guest boot time will result in a guest system panic. This is due to a configuration overlap. File systems can be automatically unmounted at guest boot time by specifying the corresponding logical device in your guest.rc configuration file. For more information, see the guest(1) man page.

After you edit your parameter file (as described in Section 6.2, page 15), you will need to reboot your system by using the new parameter file in order for the updated information to take effect.

## 7.1.5 Configuring the UNICOS under UNICOS feature

After you have considered the impact of using this feature on your host, you are ready to configure guest defaults for your system.

During the UNICOS installation procedure, a /usr/guest directory is created. The UNICOS under UNICOS feature configuration information is kept in that directory. Although it is not necessary, it is suggested that you make this a separate file system that can be mounted on any root when that root is running as the host.

This section describes how to use the UNICOS Installation/Configuration Menu System to update the guest configuration files. Excerpts from the resulting files are included if you choose to view or edit them manually. If you do edit them manually, you need to set the GUEST and/or GUESTADMIN permission bits in the users' udb entry of each validated user so that the user has the /etc/guest(1) command privileges required for booting their guest.

For information on guest permission under a UNICOS MLS system, see the guest(1) man page.

1. Invoke the UNICOS Installation/ Configuration Menu System by entering the following commands:

```
cd /etc/install
./install
```

2. These commands get you into the main installation menu. Select the following from the menu:

```
M-> Configure System
```

3. Select the following option:

M->

```
Dumpsys utility configuration ==>
UNICOS under UNICOS (guest) configuration ==>
Miscellaneous software configuration ==>
Import the configuration ...
```

Asynchronous libraries configuration ==>

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Activate the configuration ...

From there, the UNICOS under UNICOS (guest) Configuration menu comes up. Select the following from the menu:

```
M-> Guest defaults
```

Initially, you will have defaults shown in the following screen example. In most cases, these defaults should be sufficient. If you want to make changes, refer to the context-sensitive help facility available with the UNICOS Installation/Configuration Menu System.

To see your location in the menu system, use the Where am I (W) option. The Guest Defaults location is shown as follows:

```
UNICOS 7.0 Installation / Configuration Menu System
Configure System
UNICOS under UNICOS (guest) Configuration
Guest Defaults
```

In this section, the location of menu selections is prefaced with a similar location header.

Guest Defaults	
Miggallaneoug Ontions	
Miscellaneous Options	
Maximum number of guest systems allowed.	
A value of zero (0) will DISABLE all	
quest(8) command functions.	1
Enable GUEST/HOST kernel tracing?	NO
Halt HOST when guest panics?	NO
Maximum TTY connnections per guest	1
Create user directories below /usr/guest?	YES
Remove non-valid directories in /usr/guest	NO
Memory Size Options	
Minimum HOST memory in megawords	8
Minimum GUEST memory in megawords	8
Maximum GUEST memory in megawords	8
CPU Percentage Options	
CFO FEICENTAGE OPTIONS	
CPU allocation scheme	MEMORY
Minimum HOST CPU percentage	
Maximum GUEST CPU percentage	
A-> Reset global guest defaults	

Upon activation, the information that you provided in the previous menu produces a file called Defaults in the /usr/guest directory. A sample is included in the following screen.

```
#
          UNICOS under UNICOS (guest) Global Defaults
#
 This file contains global guest defaults, which may be
 overridden by user values set in the guest Users file.
#
 format:
#
        'option' = 'value'
# Miscellaneous Options
MAX_GUESTS=1
GUEST_KERNEL_TRACING=NO
HALT_HOST_ON_GUEST_PANIC=NO
TTY_CONNECTIONS=1
# Memory Options
MIN_HOST_MEMORY=8
MIN_GUEST_MEMORY=8
MAX_GUEST_MEMORY=8
# CPU Percentage Options
# CPU_ALLOCATION_SCHEME=MEMORY
```

If your system is significantly larger than the 16 Mwords (such as 128 Mwords), it is probable that the kernel configured for your system will not boot successfully in 8 Mwords. Increase the maximum/minimum guest memory size to at least 16 Mwords and try again.

## 7.2 Validating a user

After you have configured the guest defaults on the host, a user can be validated to start guest systems. All users, including the administrator, must be validated before they may use the UNICOS under UNICOS feature for anything other than status. Usually, each valid user has a directory in the /usr/guest directory.

**Note:** On an MLS system, you will need to have the SYSADM permission (or greater) to activate your configuration.

To validate a user, use the UNICOS Installation/Configuration Menu System, and make the following menu selection:

```
UNICOS 10.0 Installation / Configuration Menu System
Configure System
. UNICOS under UNICOS (guest) Configuration
. . Guest User Validation
```

After making the selection, press the letter N. The following screen appears:

	User	Admin?	Guests	Memory	KTrace?	Halt?	Ttys
E->		NO	0	8	NO	NO	1

The minimum requirement for validating a single user is to enter in the user's login name and change the number of allowable guests to 1, as follows. Use the editing capabilities available with the UNICOS Installation/Configuration Menu System to validate users, as shown in the following screen:

Note: After you have made any changes, be sure to activate your guest configuration. Also, remind the validated user or users to log out and log back in for UDB changes to take effect.

The information that you provide in this menu updates the Users file in the /usr/guest directory and in the /etc/udb file; it also creates a directory for the user in the /usr/guest directory. The Users file contains the default settings for each validated user. A skeleton guest.rc file is created in the user's /usr/guest directory. Changes to this file are required by the user before they can successfully boot a guest. This file is analogous to a user's .login or .profile file and is not updated by future menu system activations.

#### 7.2.1 Device validation

Now that there is at least one validated user on your system, you must identify the file systems (root (/), /usr, /src) that will be mounted on the guest. If these file systems are usually mounted on the host, guest users must be validated to unmount them at guest system startup.

To validate a user, make the following menu selection:

```
UNICOS 7.0 Installation / Configuration Menu System
```

- . Configure System
- . . UNICOS under UNICOS (guest) Configuration
- . . Guest Logical Device Authorization

In the following example, user jqp has been validated for root\_d, usr\_d, and src\_d:

Guest Logical Device Authorization

	Logical Device	Guest User
E->	/dev/dsk/root_d	jab
	/dev/dsk/usr_d	qp
	/dev/dsk/src_d	jap

**Note:** After you have made any changes, be sure to activate your guest configuration.

The following is an example of a resulting configuration file /usr/guest:

```
UNICOS under UNICOS (guest) User Defaults
#
# This file contains defaults specific to each authorized guest user.
# Options not specified here will default to the settings in
# /usr/guest/Defaults.
# format:
        [user:[user:...]]'option' = 'value'
#
#
# Guest Options for User: jqp
jqp:MAX_GUESTS=1
jqp:MAX_GUEST_MEMORY=8
jqp:GUEST_KERNEL_TRACING=YES
jqp:HALT_HOST_ON_GUEST_PANIC=NO
jqp:TTY_CONNECTIONS=1
# Logical Devices for User: jqp
jqp:LOGICAL_DEVICES="/dev/dsk/root_d \
        /dev/dsk/src_d \
        /dev/dsk/usr_d"
```

Keep in mind that this also will update the UDB when activated.

**Note:** The user's guest.rc file will not be updated by the install tool. It is created for the user as a courtesy when the user is first validated. After that, the user has complete control over his or her guest.rc file. If additional file systems are added to the user's authorized list by the administrator, the user will be responsible for appropriately updating his or her guest.rc file.

#### 7.2.2 guest.rc file

Once validated, you will have a file called guest.rc located in the /usr/guest/ *login* directory.

**Note:** This file is created for the user only once by the initial activation, and then must be maintained manually by the user. Further install tool activations will not affect the user's guest.rc file.

The guest.rc file identifies the particular support files and program levels to use for your guest. Review this file, and ensure that the UNICOS version you plan to boot contains support for the UNICOS under UNICOS feature. Pay particular attention to the following entries:

#### • NODE\_NAME

Once again, your guest is a unique system that must have a unique node name. If your kernel was not built with a uts node name that is different than that of the host, you need to specify a name here.

#### • CRASH

Your crash(8) level should match the level of your guest kernel.

#### • KCOMPRESS

Your kcompress(8) level must match the level of your guest kernel.

#### • PARAM

Designates the UNICOS parameter file to use for your guest.

#### • PARAM\_CHECKER

Designates the parameter file validation program appropriate for your system level (such as /etc/econfig).

#### • LOGICAL\_DEVICES

Denotes the list of logical devices that will be dedicated to your guest and that must be unmounted from the host at guest startup. Review the /usr/guest/Users file for your authorized list.

A guest.rc file is not required, but it is advisable to always have one.

The following screen shows an example guest.rc file for user jqp.

```
# This file provides a mechanism for configuring the actions of the guest(1)
# command. Each available user option is listed and briefly explained. (See
# the guest(1) command man page for more detailed information.)
# The option (and comment) format are similar to UNIX shell scripts:
       option = 'value'
# Available options include:
                      Description/
                      (Default)
# Option
#-----
# CRASH
                      location of crash binary
                      (/etc/crash)
# DUMP_DIRECTORY
                      directory below which systems dumps are written
                      (./dump)
#
# KCOMPRESS
                      location of kernel (de)compression binary
                      (/etc/kcompress)
# KERNEL
                      location of kernel binary
                      (./unicos)
# LOGICAL_DEVICES
                     list of logical devices to unmount before startup
#
                      (NO DEFAULT)
#
# MEMSIZE
                   requested memory size
                    (value of MAX_GUEST_MEMORY from
#
#
                      /usr/guest/Users)
                   minimum memory size that you will accept
# MIN MEMSIZE
#
                    (value of MIN_GUEST_MEMORY from
#
                     /usr/guest/Defaults)
# NODE_NAME
                   node name
#
                    (system name from the kernel binary)
# PARAM
                    location of system parameter file (./param)
# TTY_CONNECTIONS
                    number of tty connections requested (1)
```

```
# The administrator has preset your options as follows. (See the
# /usr/guest/Defaults and /usr/guest/Users files for more information on
# your validation.)
#
NODE_NAME=galeg1
PARAM=/usr/guest/ccn/p.root_j
CRASH=/etc/crash
KCOMPRESS=/usr/guest/jqp/kcompress_90
KERNEL=/usr/guest/jqp/unicos_90
LOGICAL_DEVICES="/dev/dsk/root_d \n /dev/dsk/src_d \n /dev/dsk/usr_d"
MEMSIZE=8
MIN_MEMSIZE=4
```

### 7.2.3 Checking your configuration

It is recommended that you verify that the configuration in your guest.rc file is valid. To do so, simply use the -a option of the guest(1) command as follows:

```
guest -a
```

For more information about the -a option, see the guest(1) man page. Before continuing, correct any errors or warnings noted by this verification option.

## 7.3 Booting a guest to single-user mode

Now that you have verified your configuration, you are ready to boot your guest system.

**Note:** Before starting your guest, you should make sure that zip lines other than 0 (the host console) are not in use. The guest boot causes a disconnect to occur on any active zip lines that are needed by the guest.

You should also review your guest.rc file to determine whether locations of files (such as crash, kcompress, and unicos) are available in the specified locations. Run the command guest -a to authenticate your guest.rc configuration and address warnings or errors before proceeding.

## 7.3.1 Startup

To start your guest operating system, use the following command:

guest -s

#### 7.3.2 Console connections

If successfully started , the guest(1) command reports the number of your guest system's console on the OWS or SWS. Log in to the OWS, and enter the following command:

zip #

On GigaRing based systems, log in to the SWS and enter the following command:

mfcon -1 #

## 7.3.3 Start-up output example

The following is an example output for a guest start-up session:

```
gale jqp <23> pwd
/usr/guest/jqp
gale jqp <24> ls
crash_90 guest.rc map_90
dumps
      kcompress_90 unicos_90
gale jqp <25> tail -14 guest.rc
NODE_NAME=galeg1
CRASH=./crash_90
KCOMPRESS=./kcompress_90
KERNEL=./unicos_90
PARAM=/usr/guest/ccn/p.root_j
LOGICAL_DEVICES=" /dev/dsk/root_j \
      /dev/dsk/src_j \
       /dev/dsk/usr_j "
MEMSIZE=8
MIN_MEMSIZE=8
```

```
gale jqp <26> guest -s
gst-45 guest: Info
  The guest kernel binary appears to be compressed.
  Decompressing it with:
        ./kcompress_90
gst-46 guest: Info
  The guest kernel binary decompression was successfully completed.
gst-43 guest: Info
  Changing the guest system name from:
        gale
  to:
        galeg1
/gst90/usr/src is mounted.
        Attempting to unmount...done.
/gst90/usr is mounted.
        Attempting to unmount...done.
/gst90 is mounted.
        Attempting to unmount...done.
gst-53 guest: Info
  A 8 MW Guest system (galeg1) has been successfully started for
user:
        фį
gst-55 guest: Info
  The guest (galeg1) system console is:
        zip 1
   on the host (gale) system's OWS.
```

#### 7.3.4 Status

Use the following command to get the status of your guest system. The -v option gives you the tty number of your console on the IOS:

guest -v

```
gale jqp <27> guest -v
gst-2 guest: Info
  guest Version 9.3.0ed, generated on 09/15/97, at 15:57:03.
            System CPU
                            Address Size
Console Ord
             Name (%)
                            (words) (MW) Status
                                                    Owner Flags
                   57
zip 0
        0 gale
                                     16 executing
                                                    HOST M
           galeg1 43
 zip 1
                          18300928 14 executing
        1
                                                      jqp S
Flag values:
       M (multi-user), S (single-user), F (frozen), H (halt on panic)
       B (breakpointed)
Number of CPUs available to guests: 2
Additional guest tracing is:
                                 ENABLED
```

#### 7.3.5 Dumping

To perform a trial dump of your guest system, use the following command:

guest -d

You do **not** have to stop the guest before dumping it. The guest system resumes execution once the dump has completed.

Keep in mind that dumps from your guest system can be quite large. You should set DUMP\_DIRECTORY= path in your guest.rc file, where path is a file system with enough unused space to handle your particular requirements. For information on viewing the dump, see Appendix A.

## 7.3.6 Ending a session

When you have finished your guest session, execute the following command to end the session:

```
guest -q
```

This command stops the guest system (guest -x), releases system memory held by the guest -r), and remounts any file systems unmounted at guest boot time.

The following is an example of the output for a guest system stop and release:

```
gale jqp <40> guest -q
gst-15 guest: Info
  The guest options file:
       guest.rc
  was found in the following directory:
       /usr/guest/jqp/
gst-16 guest: Info
  Changing the current working directory to:
        /usr/guest/jqp/
gst-61 guest: Info
  The guest system (galeg1) has been successfully stopped.
gst-316 guest: Warning
  There is outstanding I/O on iopath:
        0032.0
  Waiting for I/O completion.
sys-16 guest: Info
  Device busy
gst-37 guest: Info
  The guest memory (14 MW) has been returned to host.
/etc/mfsck: Starting pass 1
/etc/mfsck: Starting pass 2
```

```
/usr_j: file system opened
/usr_j: super block fname usr_j, fpack sn1703
/src_j: file system opened
/src_j: super block fname src_j, fpack sn1703
/root_j: file system opened
/root_j: super block fname root_j, fpack sn1703
/usr_j: Phase 1 - Check Blocks and Sizes
/root_j: Phase 1 - Check Blocks and Sizes/src_j: Phase 1 - Check Blocks and Sizes
/root_j: Phase 2 - Visit Directories
/usr_j: Phase 2 - Visit Directories
/root_j: Phase 3 - Checking Directories
/root_j: Phase 4 - Checking Non-Directories and Link Counts
/root_j: Phase 5 - Verify Dynamic Information - (Ignored)
/root_j: Phase 6 - Rebuilding Dynamic Information
/root_j: file system summary
/root_j:
               32768 total i-nodes (29073 free i-nodes)
               137088 total blocks (65395 free blocks)
/root_j:
 /root_j: **** FILE SYSTEM WAS MODIFIED *****
/usr_j: Phase 3 - Checking Directories
/usr_j: Phase 4 - Checking Non-Directories and Link Counts
/usr_j: Phase 5 - Verify Dynamic Information - (Ignored)
/usr_j: Phase 6 - Rebuilding Dynamic Information
/usr_j: file system summary
               32768 total i-nodes (25704 free i-nodes)
/usr_j:
               137088 total blocks (39475 free blocks)
 /usr_j:
 /usr_j: **** FILE SYSTEM WAS MODIFIED *****
/src_j: Phase 2 - Visit Directories
/src_j: Phase 3 - Checking Directories
/src_j: Phase 4 - Checking Non-Directories and Link Counts
/src_j: Phase 5 - Verify Dynamic Information - (Ignored)
/src_j: Phase 6 - Rebuilding Dynamic Information
/src_j: file system summary
 /src_j:
                85712 total i-nodes (45087 free i-nodes)
                365040 total blocks (102446 free blocks)
/src_j:
/src_j: **** FILE SYSTEM WAS MODIFIED *****
/etc/gencat: complete (9 secs.)
/gst90 is not mounted.
   Attempting to mount /dev/dsk/root_j on /gst90...done.
 /gst90/usr is not mounted.
   Attempting to mount /dev/dsk/usr_j on /gst90/usr...done.
/gst90/usr/src is not mounted.
44 Attempting to mount /dev/dsk/src_j on /gst90/usr/src...done.
                                                                               SG-2156 10.0
```

## Multiuser Mode Guests [8]

This chapter describes procedures for bringing up a guest in multiuser mode.

#### 8.1 Considerations

Before bringing up a guest to multiuser mode, consider the following:

Tapes

Your guest's tape configuration must **exactly** match that of the host. New tape devices that are supported by the guest's system level, but not by the host, cannot be included. Tape devices are reserved in the host by device ordinal; consequently, they **must** be in the same order in the configuration. ER90 devices, though not supported on guests, should be included as ordinal place holders in the guest configuration.

TCP/IP connection/network node name

If you want to access your guest through a TCP/IP connection, you must have a distinct network node name and address. The next example host (sn1703) has a connection through an NSC A130 network adapter. The example guest uses an NSC N130 network adapter. The N130 can be shared by using a different logical path (for example, logical path 7 instead of the traditional path 5) on the guest. If you choose to use an alternate path on your existing NSC N130, be sure to have your network administrator or NSC representative update the NSC startup file. You will also need to update the hycf to add the adapter address for the guest. For example, with the host (sn1703) on logical path 5 and the guest (sn1703a) on logical path 7, the following lines are needed (assuming an adapter address of 0x86):

direct sn1703 8605 ff00 0 16432 direct sn1703a 8607 ff00 0 16432

Note that a single HIPPI or FCA-1 (FDDI) cannot be shared between host and guest for simultaneous TCP/IP connections.

Although it is not necessary that your kernel's uts node name match the name by which it is known on the network, it may make it easier for a root to be used as either a host or a guest. To make a root more flexible in this sense, remove any existing /etc/config/hostname.txt file, and let the network's start-up scripts default to the output of the /etc/config/makehostname name.

## 8.2 Examples of configuration links

As previously mentioned, guest and host versions of selected configuration files are not necessary. However, they do facilitate the use of a single root as either a host or a guest root. With that in mind, the following examples make use of the Guest File Link Configuration option to prepare a root for use as either a host or a guest. You must determine which files are used at system boot time.

To create configuration links, use the following steps:

1. In the UNICOS Installation/Configuration Menu System, on the guest root, make the following menu selection:

```
UNICOS 10.0 Installation / Configuration Menu SystemConfigure SystemUNICOS under UNICOS (guest) ConfigurationGuest File Link Configuration
```

For this example, the following file names are entered:

Guest File Link Configuration

All selected files must reside on the root file system (that is, be available in single-user mode).

2. Select and execute Create Guest and Host versions of files. This creates the .host and .guest files for all of the files listed in /etc/config/guest\_configand sets links to the host version.

3. Go back to the Activation Utility menu, select Activation Options, and select Activate host or guest versions. Then toggle the selection to guest as shown in the following example:

```
. Utilities
```

- . Activation Utility
- . . Activation Options

Activation root mount point
Stop activation on error?

S-> Activate host or guest versions
guest

Activate host or guest versions.

4. Go back to the Import Utility menu, select Import Options, and select Import host or guest versions. Then toggle the selection to guest as shown in the following example:

```
. Utilities
```

- . Import Utility
- . . . Import Options

Import root mount point /
Stop import on error? NO?

S-> Import host or guest versions? guest

Reload default import table ...
Activate host or quest versions.

5. To import your configuration using the installation tool, enter the following update screen (this example is for the fstab file ):

```
. Configure System
```

. . File System (fstab) Configuration

You are now ready to edit the guest fstab information.

6. Remove references to the file systems not needed on the guest system, and activate the fstab configuration (this example is for the fstab file).

With the guest attribute set in the activation utility, files listed in /etc/config/guest\_config are linked to their .guest counterparts before the activation. Do not be alarmed if the activation says that it is activating to /etc/fstab if your intent is to update /etc/fstab.guest.

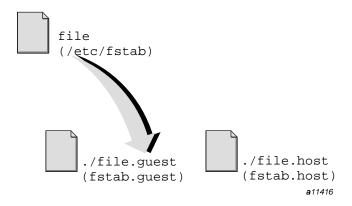


Figure 4. Example link for a system running as a guest

When a system is booted on this root, /etc/brc.guest determines the system type (host or guest) and appropriately sets the soft file links for all files listed in /etc/config/guest\_config. Be sure to run /etc/brc.guest before you run mfsck(8).

Repeat step 6 for remaining files listed in /etc/config/guest\_config.

7. Return to host import/activate mode by repeating steps 3 and 4. Choose host instead of guest.

In the example, the following changes were made in each file:

/etc/config/daemons.host:							
	USCP	uscp	YES	/usr/li	b/uscpter	m /usr/l	lib/uscpd -d
/etc/config/daemons.guest:							
	USCP	uscp	NO	/usr/li	b/uscpter	m /usr/l	lib/uscpd -d
/etc/config/interfaces.host:							
	np0	/etc/hycf.ows	inet	sn1703-	030	netmas	x 0xffffff00
	np3	/etc/hycf.hyp	inet	sn1703		netmas	0xffffff00
/et	c/conf	ig/interfaces.g	uest:				
	np1	/etc/hycf.hyp	inet	sn1703a		netmask	0xffffff00
/etc/config/ldchlist.host:							
	/dev/	dsk/root.a	SSD	200	48		
	/dev/dsk/usr.a		SSD	175	48		
	/dev/dsk/usr_spool		MEM	20	48		

```
/etc/config/ldchlist.guest:
                                           48
    /dev/dsk/root.a
                         SSD
                               200
    /dev/dsk/usr.a
                         SSD
                               175
                                           48
/etc/config/rcoptions.host:
    TMPDEV='ssd_blk3'
    SDSDEV='ssd_blk0'
/etc/config/rcoptions.guest:
    TMPDEV='tmp_guest'
    SDSDEV='ssd blk1'
/etc/exports.host:
    /sn1703
    /tmp
    /ptmp
/etc/exports.guest:(empty)
/etc/fstab.host:
/dev/dsk/root.a
                                           NC1FS rw,CRI_RC="NO" 1
                                                                         1
/dev/dsk/usr.a
                                          NC1FS rw, CRI_RC="NO" 1
                                                                         2
                     /usr
/dev/dsk/src_quest90 /usr/src
                                          NC1FS rw, CRI_RC="YES" 1
                                                                         2
                                          NC1FS rw,CRI_RC="YES" 1
/dev/dsk/usr_guest
                                                                         2
                     /usr/guest
                                          NC1FS rw, CRI_RC="YES" 1
/dev/dsk/root.b
                     /gstbld
                                                                         2
                                          NC1FS rw,CRI_RC="YES" 1
                                                                         2
/dev/dsk/usr.b
                     /gstbld/usr
/dev/dsk/src_guest
                     /gstbld/usr/src
                                          NC1FS rw, CRI_RC="YES" 1
                                                                         2
                                          NC1FS rw,CRI_RC="YES" 1
/dev/dsk/admin
                     /admin
                                                                         2
                                                                         2
/dev/dsk/usr adm
                     /usr/adm
                                          NC1FS rw, CRI RC="YES" 1
                                                                         2
/dev/dsk/90_spool
                     /usr/spool
                                          NC1FS rw, CRI_RC="YES" 1
/dev/dsk/users
                     /sn1703
                                          NC1FS rw, CRI_RC="YES" 1
                                                                         2
                                          NC1FS rw, CRI_RC="YES" 1
                                                                         2
/dev/dsk/core
                     /core
/dev/dsk/ptmp
                     /ptmp
                                          NC1FS rw, CRI_RC="YES" 1
                                                                         2
                                          NC1FS rw, CRI_RC="YES" 1
                                                                         2
/dev/dsk/root.c
                     /90
/dev/dsk/usr.c
                     /90/usr
                                          NC1FS rw, CRI_RC="YES" 1
                                                                         2
                                          NC1FS rw,CRI_RC="YES" 1
/dev/dsk/src_90
                     /90/usr/src
                                                                         2
                     /90
/dev/dsk/root.f
                                          NC1FS rw,CRI_RC="YES" 1
                                                                         2
/dev/dsk/usr.f
                     /90/usr
                                          NC1FS rw, CRI_RC="YES" 1
                                                                         2
                                          NC1FS rw,CRI_RC="YES" 1
                                                                         2
/dev/dsk/src_90
                     /90/usr/src
/dev/dsk/root.e
                     /10
                                          NC1FS
                                                 rw,CRI_RC="NO"
                                                                         2
/dev/dsk/usr.e
                     /10/usr
                                          NC1FS rw, CRI_RC="NO" 1
                                                                         2
/dev/dsk/src_10
                     /10/usr/src
                                          NC1FS rw, CRI_RC="NO" 1
                                                                         2 /proc
/etc/fstab.guest(complete - removed all but root, usr, src, and proc):
/dev/dsk/root.a
                                      NC1F rw,CRI_RC="NO" 1
                    /
```

## 8.3 Moving to multiuser mode

After you have set up a root file system with the appropriate .host and .guest configuration links, you are now ready to boot (on that root) a multiuser mode guest. Moving to multiuser mode in a UNICOS guest system is no different than for a stand-alone UNICOS system, except for the changes that will take effect because of your configuration links.

Before booting your guest, you can run the /mnt/etc/install/instartup.guest script. It performs essentially the same functions as the /etc/install/instartup script, but can be run in multiuser mode to perform the following tasks:

- Copy the current user database (UDB) to the guest root (/mnt/etc/udb)
- Install the secure commands on the guest root (/mnt)

No options are required to copy the current UDB. To get a short help message listing the available options, enter the following command:

```
/mnt/etc/install/instartup.guest -h
```

See the steps in Chapter 7, page 23 to boot the system to single-user mode. In the guest console's window on the OWS or SWS, enter the following command:

```
/etc/init 2
```

Then proceed as you would during normal system startup.

# Monitoring and Analysis [A]

This appendix describes how to analyze your environment when a guest is running or has failed.

## A.1 Status

To get the status of your guest system and the tty number of your console on the IOS, use the following command:

guest -v

```
gale jqp <27> guest -v
gst-2 guest: Info
  guest Version 9.3.0ed, generated on 09/15/97, at 15:57:03.
            System CPU
                            Address Size
Console Ord
             Name (%)
                            (words) (MW) Status
                                                    Owner Flags
zip 0 0
          gale
                                   16 executing
                                                    HOST M
zip 1
           galeg1
       1
                   43
                                   14 executing
                          18300928
                                                     jqp S
Flag values:
       M (multi-user), S (single-user), F (frozen), H (halt on panic)
       B (breakpointed)
Number of CPUs available to guests: 2
Additional guest tracing is: ENABLED
```

## A.2 CPU monitoring considerations

The sar(1) CPU usage output (-u and -p options) reports the amount of CPU time accumulated in concurrently running systems under a new column titled guest. When run in the host, sar(8) reports the percentage of CPU time spent in the guest under the guest column. When run in the guest, the guest column refers to host CPU time.

Across a particular time interval, the values reported in the guest column by the host and guest sar(8) command should total approximately 100%. The

actual value may be a percentage point higher or lower due to rounding. Also, within a particular system, the sum of all sar(8) CPU usage data columns should be within a percentage point of 100.

CPUs assigned to a guest occasionally require some service provided by the host. To invoke such service, the guest CPU uses a mechanism analogous to a user process issuing a system call. The time that a CPU spends in the host kernel in servicing a request from the guest is accumulated as system time within the guest kernel. This time is recorded as guest time within the host kernel. The effects of this are as follows:

- System time reported by sar in a guest (*"sys column*) will generally be somewhat higher than in a host or stand-alone system running a similar workload. The amount of the increase depends upon the user process mix, with I/O-intensive loads showing the greatest increase.
- System time reported by timex(1) generally will be higher in a guest. The size of the increase depends upon the number of host requests the guest kernel must issue during the handling of each user system call issued during the timed interval.
- Wall-clock time (reported as real by timex) for a particular process may be greater in a guest than in a host or stand-alone system. In general, the amount of increase is proportional to the amount of I/O performed by the process.
- User time values are independent of the kernel's mode of operation (host versus guest). Not only are user CPU times reported by sar independent of the kernel mode but user CPU time associated with a particular process also is independent. For example, timex reports the same user time for a process when run in a guest as it would for the same process run in the host. User time may vary due to bank conflicts.
- It is possible to monitor the host request activity (host calls issued by an active guest kernel) using a new sar option, -g. For an explanation of the sample information that follows, refer to the sar(1) man page.

sn1703% <b>sar -g 10 1000</b>					
sn1703a 7.0.0 hst.305 CRA	Y-MP	04/20/94			
17:25:59 host call	%time	calls/s	avetime	maxtime	mintime
17:26:10 I/O interrupt	3.4	2.5	115.8	28960.9	26.6
low speed I/O	2.5	2.9	72.9	16193.2	31.3
clk interrupt	2.2	1.0	185.3	1466.0	63.5
return CPU	na	0.4	na	na	na
SSD I/O	0.1	0.1	52.5	5359.2	31.3
user exchange	86.6	402.0	18.5	316646.0	12.4
get cluster	2.5	5.7	38.1	3906.7	31.8
put cluster	2.7	5.7	41.1	3909.7	32.0
17:26:21 I/O interrupt	7.2	2.7	80.4	28960.9	26.6
low speed I/O	3.6	1.5	74.2	16193.2	31.3
return CPU	na	5.5	na	na	na
SSD I/O	3.3	1.9	52.1	5359.2	31.3
user exchange	68.5	112.5	18.5	316646.0	12.4
get cluster	9.1	7.3	37.9	3906.7	31.8
put cluster	8.4	6.7	37.9	3909.7	32.0

## A.3 Dumping

To dump your guest system, use the following command:

guest -d

It is **not necessary** to stop the guest before dumping it.

At any time during the running of your guest, you may dump the system by using the guest <code>-d</code> command. If the guest system is not panicked, the host kernel will set the internal freeze (inhibit) flag for the guest system while the dump is in progress. This prevents CPUs from exchanging to user processes in the guest, thus, preserving the integrity of the dump. The freeze flag is cleared when the dump completes successfully.

As noted in the following dump output example, the guest(1) command informs the user of how the dump is proceeding and where the dump and binary files will be placed. A guest dump directory contains crash(8) and UNICOS binaries for all systems occupying mainframe memory. A \_guest name extension is added to the guest-related binaries in the dump directory. Guest

system dumps can be much larger than host dumps (up to twice the size), so you may need to increase your dump partition size for mainframe dumps taken from the OWS or SWS. You should set <code>DUMP\_DIRECTORY=path</code> in your <code>guest.rc</code> file, where <code>path</code> is a file system with enough unused space to handle your particular requirements.

In the dump directory, you start the crash(8) command as follows:

./crash dump unicos

All crash(8) commands entered at this point are relative and pertain only to the host's system memory. You may view the guest portion of the dump by entering the guest(1) command at the crash> prompt. If crash finds the appropriate binaries (denoted by guest system name) in the current directory it will ask you if you want to fork a new crash to examine the dump. Unless the system levels are virtually identical, an affirmative response is usually appropriate.

After forking the new crash or allowing the current crash to change its memory bias, all crash(8) commands will be relative to the guest's system memory. All crash commands (except for some UNICOS under UNICOS specific commands) are available when analyzing a guest dump. For more information, see the crash(8) man page.

An example of the -d option of the guest(1) command follows:

```
gale jqp <34> guest -d
Enter a dump comment (up to 80 characters):
tpconfig process hung in guest
gst-23 guest: Info
 Guest dump files will be located below the following directory:
    ./dumps/04050534
Dump segment address:
            030412000 cumulative words: 012110000
qst-25 quest: Info
 Successfully completed a guest dump of the system named: gale
Dump segment address: 077610700 cumulative words: 022703000
qst-25 quest: Info
 Successfully completed a guest dump of the system named: galeg1
gale jqp <35> cd ./dumps/04050534
/usr/guest/jqp/dumps/04050534
gale 04050534 <36> ls
crash
       crash_galeg1
              dump
                 unicos unicos_galeg1
gale 04050534 <37> ./crash dump unicos
> guest
Use ./crash_galeg1 (y | n)? > y
Running ./crash_galeg1 -s -g galeg1 dump ./unicos_galeg1
     host2->
     +
     host1->
     host->
     ->host2
     ->host1
     0030701403117602532565 \ 000000000050000000000 \ 0000701403117621511220
->host
     clockown
     routcp5
```

routcp4										00000000000000010
+		000000	000000	0000000	010 00	00000	00000	000000000	00000	0000000000001040
host2->	> 0	030701	403117	6025267	717 00	00000	00000	000000000	00000 0000	000000000000000
+	0	000000	000000	0000000	003 00	00000	00000	000000000	010 00000	0000000000000010
host1->	> 0	030701	403117	6025265	543 00	00000	00000	000000000	00000 0000	0000000000000010
host->	0	030701	403117	6025264	110 00	00000	00002	200000000	00000 0000	000000000000000
+	0	000000	000000	0000000	010 00	00000	00000	000000000	004 00000	000000000000000
->host2	2 0	030701	403117	6021412	211 00	00000	00000	000000000	00000 0000	000000000000000
+	0	000000	000000	0000000	003 00	00000	00000	000000000	010 00000	0000000000000010
->host1	L 0	030701	403117	6021410	014 00	00000	00000	000000000	00000 0000	0000000000000010
->host	0	030701	403117	6021406	565 00	00000	00002	200000001	040 00000	000000000000000
swtchc	0	030701	403117	6021371	124 00	00022	26203	300007571	000 06454	4330624000000000
swtchg1										0000000000000001
swtchd										4330624000000000
+										000000000000000
routcp5										0000000000000003
+	0	000000	000000	0000000	003 00	00000	00000	000000000	010 00000	000000000000000
routcp4	1 0	030701	403117	6021272	203 00	00000	00000	000000000	00000 0000	0000000000000010
> p										
SLT ST	PID	PPID	PGRP	UID	EUID	PRI	CPU	EVENT	NAME	FLAGS
0 s	0	0	0	0	0	0		00223731		Ld Sys
1 s	1	0	1	0	0	39	-	00205552		Ld rwt
2 r	2	0	0	0	0	999	0	-	idle	Ld Sys Idl conn
3 r	3	0	0	0	0	999	1	-	idle	Ld Sys Idl conn
4 r	4	0	0	0	0	999	2	-	idle	Ld Sys Idl conn
5 r	5	0	0	0	0	999	3	-	idle	Ld Sys Idl conn
6 s	1127	1	1127	526	526	39	-	00205552	csh	Ld Nocore rwt
6										oldmask
7 s	1129	1	1129	0	0	28		01013567		Ld
8 s	7260	7252	7260	0	0	39		00205552		Ld rwt oldmask
9 s	380	1	380	0	0	26				Ld Plock
10 s	1128	1	1128	0	0	28		01013521		Ld
11 s	621	1	621	0	0	26		00730374		Ld
12 s	608	1	301	0	0	39				Ld rwt oldmask
13 r	634	1	634	0	0	39				Ld rwt oldmask
14 s	626	1	626	0	0	26		01232235		
15 s	777	1	777	0	0	26		01232235		Ld
17 s	792	1	792	0	0	26		01232235		Ld
18 s	782	1	301	0	0	26		05264014		
19 s	984	1	984	0	0	40		07300071		
20 s	959	1	301	0	0	26	-	01232235	errdemon	Ld
•										

```
21 s
        799
                 1
                     301
                                         26
                                              - 01232235 snmpd
                                                                    Ld
                                               - 01232235 portmap
 22 s
        812
                     812
                              0
                                     0
                                         26
                 1
                                                                    Ld
 23 s
        850
                 1
                     850
                              0
                                     0
                                         26
                                               - 01232235 ypserv
 24 s
        968
                 1
                     968
                              0
                                     0
                                         26
                                               - 01232235 syslogd
                                                                    Ld
 26 r
        975
                 1
                     975
                                         26
                              0
                                                           crayperf Ld
 27 r
       1135
               984
                     984
                              0
                                     0
                                         39
                                                           slnet
                                                                    Ld rwt oldmask
 28 s
        859
                 1
                     859
                                     0
                                         26
                                               - 01232235 ypbind
                              0
                                                                    Ld
 29 s
       1304
                 1
                    1304
                              0
                                     0
                                         26
                                              - 05463020 nfsd
                                                                    Ld
       1092
              1014
                    1014
                                         39
                                              - 00205552 qfdaemon Ld rwt
 31 s
       1088
              1014
                    1014
                              0
                                     0
                                         26
                                              - 05325614 netdaemo Ld
       1305
              1304
                    1304
                                     0
                                               - 05463020 nfsd
                              0
                                         26
      1013
 33 s
                 1
                    1013
                              0
                                     0
                                         26
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                                              - 05331414 rtidaemo Ld
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                                              - 00205552 avrproc
                                                                    Ld rwt
 37 s
       1306
             1304
                    1304
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                                              - 05463020 nfsd
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 38 s
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              1304
                    1304
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                                              - 05463020 nfsd
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                                               - 05466620 cnfsd
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                                              - 05466620 cnfsd
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             1312
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                                              - 05466620 cnfsd
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      1315
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                    1312
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                                                                    Ld
                    1324
                                     0
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                                              - 01232235 mountd
 44 s
      1324
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 49 s
      7250
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 51 s
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                 1
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                                              - 00253176 zup
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> stack 51
u_save[0].B01=01735147, u_save[0].B02=010122231, &u_stack[0]=010122057
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routine name	entry point	return addr	line #	arguments
swtch	01737312c	01734626b	*** arg	list ptr out of bounds
sleep	01734353c	01400026b	315	0000000000000000704723 000000000000000000004032
nclpread	01377655c	01741022a	162	0000000000000000602250 00000000000000000
rdwr	01740534c	01740517a	63	000000000000000000000000000000000000000
read	01740506c	01606140a	*** arg	list ptr out of bounds
umain	01670606c	01607612b		
stack 19				
_save[0].B01=0173 ERNEL STACK TRACE	· —		, &u_stac	ck[0]=020220057
routine name	entry point	return addr	line #	arguments
swtch	01737312c	01734626b	*** arg	list ptr out of bounds
sleep	01734353c	01536700d	2866	0000000000000007300071
				0000000000000000001724
bmxsleep	01536641c	01536332d	2693	0000000000000007300071
				00000000000000000001724
bmxaux	01536203c	01527513b	604	0000000000000007300071
				0000000000000000000000
				000000000000000000000000000000000000000
				0000000000000000000000000001
bmxclose	01526767c	01407254a	693	000000000000000000000112
bmxclose	01526767c	01407254a	693	
bmxclose nc1closei	01526767c 01407050c	01407254a 01645755a	693 110	00000000000000000600112
				00000000000000000600112 0000000000000000
				00000000000000000600112 0000000000000000
				00000000000000000600112 0000000000000000
				00000000000000000000000000000000000000
nclclosei				00000000000000000000000000000000000000
nclclosei	01407050c	01645755a	110	00000000000000000000000000000000000000
	01407050c	01645755a	110	0000000000000000000000112 0000000000000
nclclosei closef	01407050c 01645574c	01645755a 01745033c	110	00000000000000000000000112 000000000000

# Troubleshooting [B]

This appendix describes situations that you may encounter and the steps you can take to resolve them.

## B.1 guest command fails

The guest(1) command can fail because it cannot obtain the desired guest memory. If this occurs, do the following:

- 1. Increase the memory retry count (MEMORY\_RETRIES=#) in your guest.rc file and run the command again.
- 2. If retrying is unsuccessful, suspend longer processes until guest memory can be allocated.

## B.2 cannot open root device message

If the guest system panics immediately with a cannot open root device message, do the following:

- 1. Ensure that the root file system specified in the guest parameter file is not mounted on the host.
- 2. Check the guest(1) command output to ensure that the file system was unmounted without error (if the logical device was specified in the user's guest.rc file).

## B.3 NQS does not start on the guest

If the Network Queuing System (NQS) does not start on the guest, check the NQS configuration for the guest to ensure that a unique machine ID (mid) is specified for the guest's TCP host name. The /etc/config/nqs\_config file contains the machine IDs.

## **B.4 Guest does not recognize tape mounts**

If the guest does not recognize tape mounts, even though the drive appears to be configured up on the guest, ensure that the host and guest configurations are

identical. Device ordinals for each drive must be the same. Check the output of the tpdev(8) command on both the host and guest system. If the device ordinals do not match, reorder the devices in the guest's /etc/config/tapeconfig file, and restart both tape daemons.

## **B.5 Kernel decompression loops forever**

If the kernel decompression step of the guest startup seems to run forever, make sure that the kcompress(8) version (KCOMPRESS entry in your guest.rc file) matches the guest kernel being booted. It is normal for this step to take several (15 or more) seconds.

# guest Messages [C]

Error messages that can be issued by the guest(1) command are listed in the online message catalog. The group code for this product is guest. Each message is listed, along with an extended explanation that describes the error in greater detail and suggests actions for solving the problem.

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