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CSE For High Availability and System Management

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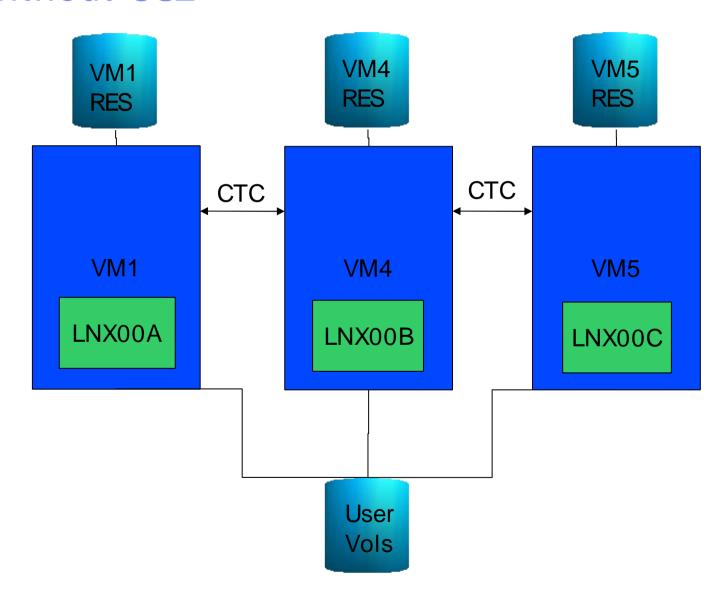


Agenda

- What does CSE do?
- What does CSE not do?
- How do I turn it on?
- How does this get me closer to High Availability?



z/VM without CSE





CSE allows you to:

- Manage only one VM Source Directory that is common to all nodes in Plex
- Extend the mini disk access control semantics across VM nodes in Plex
- Share Spool files across VM nodes in Plex
 - Practically impossible to retrofit onto existing VM systems
- Extend the query and messaging tools across VM nodes in Plex
- Share the RACF database



Ugly Bits: PVM and RSCS are not free...

- PVM is not included in the base cost of z/VM
 - Requires a Special Bid to get licensed on an IFL
 - needed for shared spooling
 - needed for cross system messaging, query
- RSCS is needed to support DirMaint communications if shared spool is not used
- DirMaint is required to support the single source directory



CSE does **NOT** allow you to:

- Share VM SysRes volumes
 - Each VM system must maintain its own object directory
- Get High Availability for free
 - Some infrastructure will have to be built
- Share SFS pools across VM systems
 - Need VTAM: TSAF, CS Collection, etc
- Virtual Reserve/Release across VM systems



Enabling CSE – The SYSTEM CONFIG file:

- XLINK_System_Include Slot 1 LTICVM1
 XLINK_System_Include Slot 2 RESRVED2
 XLINK_System_Include Slot 3 RESRVED3
 XLINK_System_Include Slot 4 LTICVM4
 XLINK_System_Include Slot 5 LTICVM5
- XLINK_Volume_Include VMP*
- XSPOOL_SYSTEM Slot 1 LTICVM1 Share_Spool NO XSPOOL_SYSTEM Slot 2 RESERVED
 XSPOOL_SYSTEM Slot 3 RESERVED
 XSPOOL_SYSTEM Slot 4 LTICVM4 Share_Spool NO
 XSPOOL_SYSTEM Slot 5 LTICVM5 Share_Spool NO
- XSPOOL_XLIST_OUTPUT, XSPOOL_XLIST_INPUT
 - Users who can be logged on multiple systems at once: MAINT, OPERATOR...
- System_Identifier 2064 %0nnnn LTICVM1



RACF stuff

- Change the RACF database from minis to dedicated volumes that support Hardware Reserve/ Release
 - DDR from the minis to full volumes on VM1
 - Change the directory entry and recycle RACF on VM1
 - Add VM4 missing entries to the database
 - Change the directory entry and recycle RACF on VM4
- That's pretty much it do the same for VM5



RSCS stuff

- RSCS used for DirMaint message passing if not using Shared Spool
- 'CP ATTACH C315 RSCS C31 ' /* Link to LTICVM4 */
 'CP ATTACH C215 RSCS C21 ' /* Link to LTICVM5 */
- LINKDEFINE LTICVM4 AST TYPE NJE LINE C31
 LINKDEFINE LTICVM5 AST TYPE NJE LINE C21
- 'RSCS START LTICVM4'
 'RSCS START LTICVM5'



PVM stuff

- Enables system to system messaging for
 - Indicate
 - Q Names
 - SMSG
- 'CP ATT C314 PVM C31' /* LINK TO LTICVM4 */
 'CP ATT C214 PVM C21' /* LINK TO LTICVM5 */
- LOCAL LTICVM1
 LINK C31 LTICVM4 CTCA
 LINK C21 LTICVM5 CTCA
- START LINE C31
 START LINE C21
- SMSG PVM START CSECOM LTICVM4
 SMSG PVM START CSECOM LTICVM5



Format a volume to support XLINK

- Rolling IPL to pick up SYSTEM CONFIG changes
- Make sure "q n" shows you everyone logged on everywhere – indicates CSE messaging is up
- Attach the volume to your id
- XLINK FORMAT < vaddr> < volid>
 - Defaults to adding CSE track in CYL 0
- Attach the volume to SYSTEM on all VMs
- XLINK CHECK < volid>
 - Volume < volid> is controlled by CSE LINK.



Dirmaint Stuff

- Dirmaint will run on one node in the plex
- DirmSats will run on all other nodes in the plex
- Directory changes are made everywhere.
 - This can take some stern user re-education
- Dirmaint must be equal to or higher than the Dirmsats in code level



Directory Stuff

- Merging the directory is the hardest part of implementing CSE
- On VM1:
 - Enable dirmaint, make sure the lock disk (15D) is defined on XLINK controlled DASD
 - Add the system affinity information for both VM1 and VM4 to the DIRECTORY control statement
 - Use the CNSLDIR tool to sysaffin-ize the guests and profiles common to both VM1 and VM4
 - Check the guest and profile DIRECT files to make sure the tool worked
 - Check again... The tool makes lots of assumptions...
 - Once the sysaffin-ing is done correctly, commit the changes



More Directory Stuff

- Once VM1 has absorbed VM4's uniqueness into the collective, on VM1:
 - Using dirmsat as a template, create a new dirmsat user to run on VM4 – say dirmsat4
 - Add RACF privileges for dirmsat4
 - Run the BLDCSEDR tool to consolidate the dirmaint files into a CSE DIRECT file
 - send CSE DIRECT to VM4

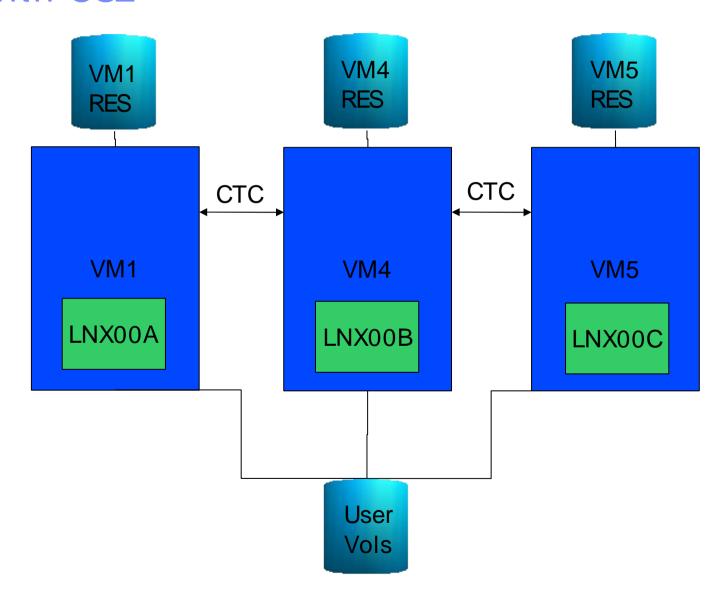


Yet More Directory Stuff

- On VM4:
 - Rebuild the directory with directxa using the CSE DIRECT file from VM1
 - Xautolog dirmsat4
 - Add the RACF privleges you forgot about when you created it
- Add FROM= TO= and SATELLITE_SERVER= statements to Dirmaint Config
- Force and restart dirmaint on VM1 and dirmsat4 on VM4
- Enjoy the utopia of CSE enabled VM.
- Repeat for VM5

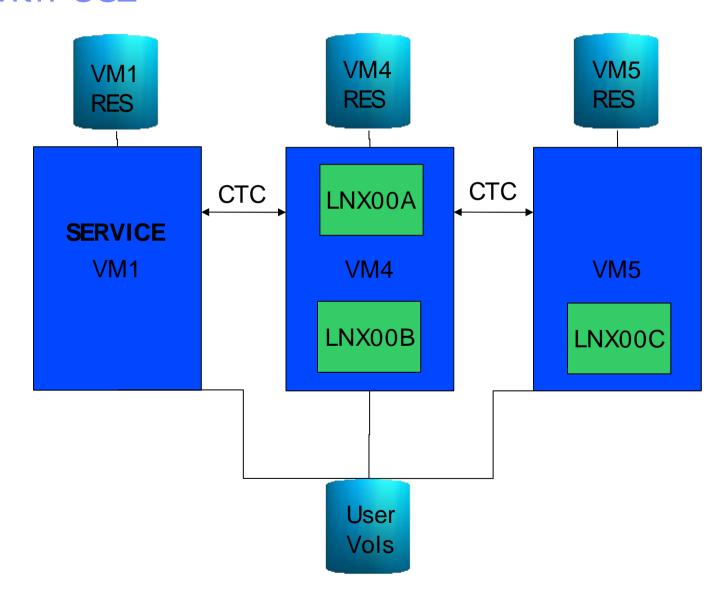


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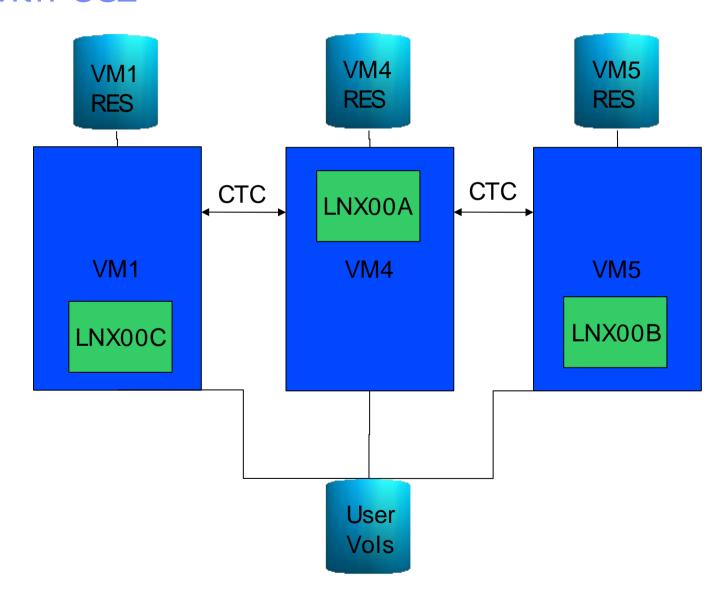


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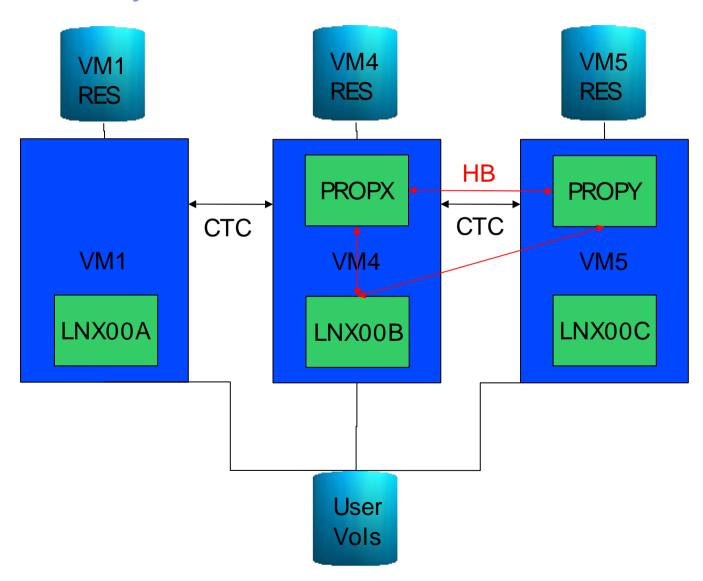




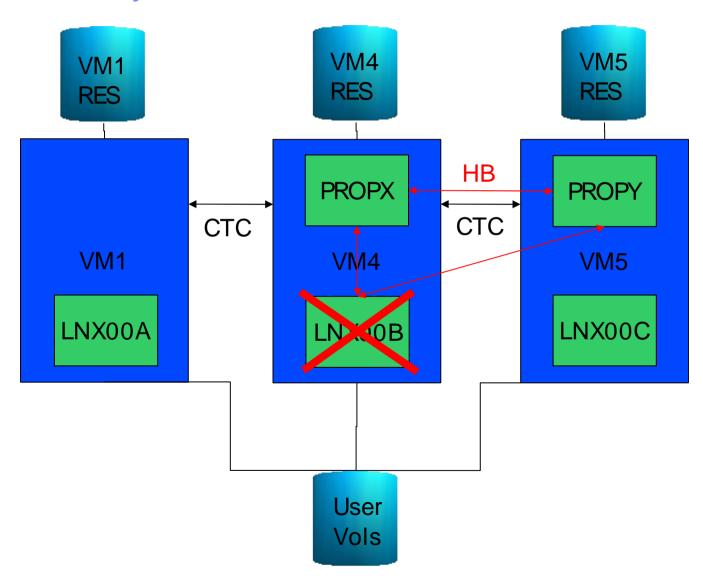
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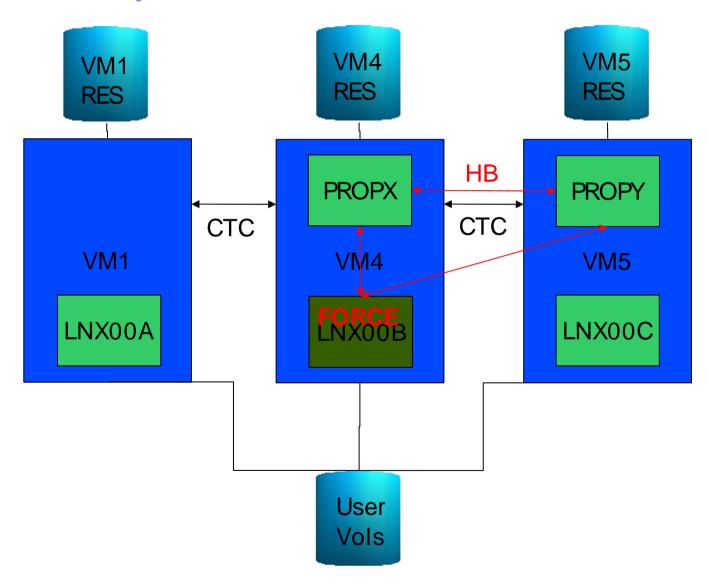




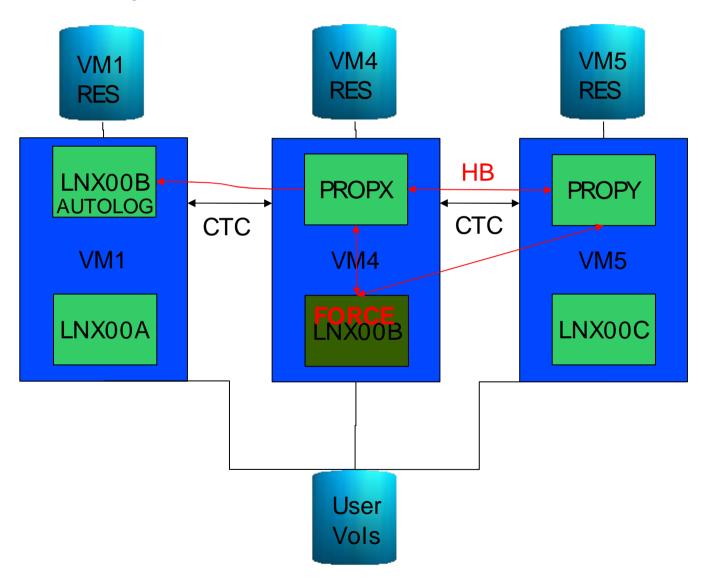














Summary

- Maintaining Multiple VM systems is easier with CSE
- CSE allows greater flexibility in choosing where to run a workload
- CSE provides the infrastructure needed for HA