Co:Z® Co-Processing Toolkit for z/OS

Co:Z Dataset Pipes - User's Guide

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1. Introduction

Co:Z Dataset Pipes are commands that provide flexible conversion between z/OS data sets and byte streams. The conversion options include code page translation, line termination treatment, and data set record padding / overflow rules.

There are also commands for converting z/OS Unix System Services POSIX files to byte streams.

The Co:Z Dataset Pipes commands can be used in the following modes:

- **z/OS Unix System Services Integration:** A z/OS unix process accesses local z/OS services

  The Dataset Pipes streaming commands can be invoked from Unix System Services directly (interactively, or from a shell script) or used as shell commands within a *Co:Z Batch* job step.

- **z/OS Hybrid Batch:** A z/OS jobstep launches a remote process on a target system

  The Co:Z Launcher starts a shell process on a distributed system, redirecting the shell's input and output to traditional z/OS data sets, z/OS POSIX files, or spool files.

  The Dataset Pipes client commands can be used by the remote process to reach back into the launching jobstep to access z/OS POSIX files, data sets and other services.

  The target may be another z/OS system with Co:Z installed.

- **z/OS Remote Services:** A remote client initiates a connection to z/OS

  A Linux, AIX or remote z/OS system can use the Dataset Pipes client commands to initiate an SSH connection to a z/OS server.

  Commands can be run individually (each with its own SSH connection), or through a durable connection initiated by the remote system with the `cozcontrol` command. When using `cozcontrol`, a single dataset pipes connection is used for multiple command invocations.

Features:

- Pipe input to an MVS dataset or a POSIX file (**todsn** and **tofile**)

- Pipe output from an MVS dataset or a POSIX file (**fromdsn** and **fromfile**)

- Remote execution over an SSH connection

- Supports any z/OS dataset which can be opened in sequential, record mode by the `fopen()` C-library routine. This includes:

  - MVS sequential datasets (QSAM, BSAM)

  - PDS and PDSE members

  - VSAM files (processed in sequential mode)

  - SYSOUT datasets, including the MVS internal reader

- Supports text or binary conversion via flexible line-termination rules:

  - Cr, Lf/Newline, CrLf, Cr and/or Lf, RDW, none, user-defined-string

- Supports flexible record padding / overflow rules:

  - wrap, flow, truncate, error

- Codepage translation via high-performance z/OS conversion services

- Can specify additional `fopen()` options and dynamic allocation keywords

  - keywords supported by **BPXWDYN** can be used to customize dataset allocation

  - allows for SYSOUT, writers or MVS internal reader

- User and/or system profile can be used to automatically supply conversion options based dataset name matching.

2. Dataset Pipes Installation and Configuration

2.1 Dataset Pipes Installation by Use Case

The installation steps vary depending on the usage of the Dataset Pipes commands.

- **z/OS Unix System Services Integration:**

  Follow the instructions for _Co:Z Toolkit for z/OS_. Because the Dataset Pipes commands are only running on z/OS, no additional configuration is needed. There is no specific Dataset Pipes configuration.

- **z/OS Hybrid Batch:**

  When Dataset Pipes commands are run with the Co:Z Launcher in a z/OS Hybrid Batch use case, installation is required for the _Co:Z Toolkit for z/OS_ and the _Co:Z Target System Toolkits_. No specific Dataset Pipes configuration is required, but see the _Co:Z Launcher User's Guide_ for additional configuration options.

- **z/OS Remote Services:**

  In addition to the _Co:Z Toolkit for z/OS_ and _Co:Z Target System Toolkits_, the dspipes subsystem and dspipes session config options must also be configured. See the following sections for more detail.

2.2 z/OS Remote Services Quick Start

After completing the installation of the _Co:Z Toolkit for z/OS_ and the _Co:Z Target System Toolkit_ on the remote system, the following are the minimum steps to get started using z/OS Remote Services. Replace <COZ_INST> with the installation directory of the toolkit. For more detailed information, see the remaining sections in this chapter.

On z/OS:

1. Edit `/etc/ssh/sshd_config` and add the following line along with other subsystem configuration.

```
Subsystem dspipes <COZ_INST>/bin/dspipes.sh
```

   Restart SSHD.

```
kill -HUP `cat /var/run/sshd.pid`
```

2. Copy the sample configuration files to `/etc/ssh`:

```
cp <COZ_INST>/samples/dspipes.site.rc /etc/ssh/dspipes.rc
chmod 755 /etc/ssh/dspipes.rc
cp <COZ_INST>/samples/dspipes_site_config /etc/ssh/dspipes_config
```

```
chmod 0644 /etc/ssh/dspipes_config
```

3. Edit `/etc/ssh/dspipes_config`. Uncomment and set `server-host` to an externally recognized IP address or hostname for the z/OS server. Uncomment and set `server-ports`, if the default is not applicable.

On the remote system:

Assuming the Co:Z Target System Toolkit has been installed on a unix server with the PATH configured to the Dataset Pipes command executables:

1. Verify that the remote system can connect to the z/OS server using SSH.

```
ssh user@host uname -a
```

2. Interactively test a Dataset Pipes command with a single SSH connection. This command lists the files in the user's z/OS home directory.

```
cozclient -ssh user@host ls -alt
```

3. Interactively start a durable connection using **cozcontrol**, execute a few Dataset Pipes commands on z/OS, and end the session.

```
cozcontrol start -ssh user@host
cozclient ls -alt
fromdsn 'SYS1.MACLIB(ACB)' > /tmp/test.txt
todsn 'user.test.dataset' < /tmp/test.txt
cozcontrol stop
```

For more examples, see *Appendix A, Command Reference - Dataset Pipes* and *Chapter 4, z/OS Remote Services Examples*.

2.3 z/OS Remote Services Configuration

This section provides additional detail about the steps summarized in the quick start section above.

Configuring the Dataset Pipes subsystem

To run Dataset Pipes commands initiated by a remote client, a subsystem must be configured in your z/OS OpenSSH server.[1]

This is done by updating the `sshd_config` file, typically located at `/etc/ssh/sshd_config`.[2]

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[1]SSH user subsystems are, like all SSH remote commands, executed in a process under the authenticated client userid, so normal z/OS user security determines what resources can be accessed.

Find the line "Subsystem" which defines the `sftp` subsystem. Immediately following the sftp line add this:

```
Subsystem dspipes <COZ_INST>/bin/dspipes.sh
```

(where <COZ_INST> is the directory where Co:Z Toolkit is installed).

If OpenSSH **sshd** was running prior to editing `sshd_config`, it should be reinitialized. This can be done by sending `SIGHUP` to the running process. The pid for this process is typically in the file `/var/run/sshd.pid`:

```
kill -HUP `cat /var/run/sshd.pid`
```

Dataset Pipes Configuration overview

The following table describes how a Co:Z Dataset Pipes Server session is started and outlines the sequence of configuration steps that occur prior to the establishment of the session. Details on these configuration steps follow the table.

Table 2.1. Dspipes Server initialization steps

Step	Configuration	Notes
1	$COZ_HOME/bin/dspipes.sh	This shell script is executed by z/OS OpenSSH **sshd** upon a request for an Dataset Pipes server subsystem. *This file should not be modified by the installation*, but you may want to review the comments at the beginning of the script. This script will execute the site-wide and user-specific rc scripts and configuration files (see following steps).
2	/etc/ssh/dspipes.rc	Site-wide environment variable configuration.
3	$HOME/.ssh/dspipes.rc	User specific environment variable configuration. Can contain customized log file location, logging and tracing options, etc. The location of this file may be changed by setting the $DSPIPES_USER_RC environment variable.
4	$HOME/.ssh/dspipes_config	User-specific configuration settings. User customized options may be specified here. The location of this file may be changed by setting the $DSPIPES_USER_CONFIG environment variable.
5	/etc/ssh/dspipes_config	Site-wide configuration settings.

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[2]It is sometimes convenient to set up a *test* OpenSSH server where this subsystem can be easily added. Instructions for doing this can be found in the Co:Z Installation and Release Notes.

Sitewide Dataset Pipes configuration

The Dataset Pipes server can be configured with system-wide defaults by creating and configuring the file
/etc/ssh/dspipes.rc. A sample file (dspipes.site.rc) is provided in <COZ_INST>/samples, and
should be copied to the /etc/ssh directory:

```
cp <COZ_INST>/samples/dspipes.site.rc /etc/ssh/dspipes.rc
chmod 755 /etc/ssh/dspipes.rc
```

Sample site dspipes.rc file

```
#!/bin/sh
# Set site-wide environment variables for dspipes server.
# Place this sample as an executable script in file: /etc/ssh/dspipes.rc

# The following are the default locations for user level configuration files.
#DSPIPES_USER_RC=$HOME/.ssh/dspipes.rc ❶
#DSPIPES_USER_CONFIG=$HOME/.ssh/dspipes_config ❷

# The following defines a directory name (without trailing slash) where
# log files will be created, rather than /tmp or $TMPDIR. Setting this
# variable and regular cleanup of this directory are recommended.
#export DSPIPES_LOGDIR=
```

❶   In some cases, users may not have access to individual $HOME directories or it may be desirable to have all
     user configuration files centralized. In this case, the environment variable DSPIPES_USER_RC can be
     specified to provide an alternate file name for the user .rc file in a common, readable location. For example, to
     specify a common directory for all user configuration files, set the following:
     DSPIPES_USER_RC=/usr/share/coz/$LOWER_LOGNAME.dspipes.rc

     To disable the usage of user specific dspipes.rc files for all users, DSPIPES_USER_RC can be set to a dummy
     file name (e.g: /dummy).

     Note that the z/OS Unix System Services $LOGNAME environment variable holding the current username is in
     uppercase. As this is not always consistent with other POSIX style usage, the **dspipes.sh** script exports an
     enviroment variable named $LOWER_LOGNAME that downcases the value in $LOGNAME.
❷   Additionally, individual user server config files can be similarly located. To learn more about config files, refer
     to section: *Section 2.4, "z/OS Remote Services Session Config Files"*. By default, user server config files are
     located at $HOME/.ssh/dspipes_config.

Note: The /etc/ssh/dspipes.rc, if present, must be marked executable, as must the individual user files.

User specific Dataset Pipes customization

Individual users can override system wide Dataset Pipes properties by creating a profile script, dspipes.rc, in
their home .ssh directory:

```
# if the user's .ssh does not exist:
mkdir $HOME/.ssh
```

```
chmod 700 $HOME/.ssh

cp <COZ_INST>/samples/dspipes.user.rc $HOME/.ssh/dspipes.rc
chmod u+x $HOME/.ssh/dspipes.rc
```

Sample user dspipes.rc file

```
#!/bin/sh
# Place this sample as an executable script in file: $HOME/.ssh/dspipes.rc

# Product support personnel may request that you uncomment one or more of
# the following variables to enable tracing. These options should be set
# in user specific dspipes.rc files rather than globally in the site-wide
# dspipes.rc

# Setting COZ_LOG enables tracing for CozServer session level tracing.
# The default is N, Notice.
#export COZ_LOG=T  ❶

# Setting COZ_LOG_CMD enables tracing for dspipes commands running on the
# server (fromdsn, cozclient, etc). The default is N, Notice. Command
# tracing can alternately be enabled with the -L option on most dataset
# pipes commands.
#export COZ_LOG_CMD=F  ❷

# Setting COZ_LOG_CMD_DUP to true (default is false), duplicates tracing enabled by
# COZ_LOG_CMD to the session log. This is recommended when requesting support from
# Co:Z support personnel because all logging for a problem is captured in a single
# file.
#export COZ_LOG_CMD_DUP=true  ❸
```

❶   When logging is enabled by setting this variable, log files are created for every Dataset Pipes server session. Each session is an SSH session. See _the section called "Logging Configuration for Dataset Pipes"_ for additional information.

❷   When command logging is enabled by setting this variable, Co:Z logging messages are redirected back to the client for all Dataset Pipes commands executed by the client. The optional -L switch can be specified on Dataset Pipes commands to enable logging for a single command.

❸   When set to true, command logging is redirected back to the client and duplicated to the session log.

Logging Configuration for Dataset Pipes

Log files are created for every Dataset Pipes server session. When specifying -ssh on an individual Dataset Pipes command such as **fromdsn**, the log file contains logging only for the single command. When using **cozcontrol** to define a durable session used by multiple Dataset Pipes commands, the log file contains logging for all commands using the durable session. If the log file remains empty due to the logging level set, the file is deleted when the session ends. The log file is of particular interest when a problem is encountered and additional error detail is needed. The following sections define how to control the logging destination as well as logging levels.

Logging Destination

By default, log files are written to the `/tmp` directory (or the directory specified by the `TMPDIR` environment variable, if it is set). To change this directory default for all users, modify `/etc/ssh/dspipes.rc` as needed. Exporting `DSPIPES_LOGDIR` changes the directory log files are written to. The session log file name is generated with the following pattern: `dspipes.<userid>.<...>.log`.

The directory containing the log files must be cleaned up and monitored for space; however, it is important to keep these files for some period of time in order to allow support personnel to review the session log file for diagnostic information when investigating a problem.

In order to assist with log file maintenance, the environment variable `DSPIPES_LOG_KEEP_DAYS` can be exported from either the site or individual user's `dspipes.rc`. When this variable is specified, the argument must be an integer greater than zero. Log files older than the argument will be removed when the user next establishes a Co:Z Dataset Pipes server session. The log files to be deleted must belong to the the connecting user and reside in the immediate directory specified by `DSPIPES_LOGDIR` (or `$TMPDIR` if `DSPIPES_LOGDIR` is not specified). Note that if `DSPIPES_LOGFILE` is specified, `DSPIPESP_LOG_KEEP_DAYS` (if set) will be ignored.

Logging Level

The logging level is controlled by exporting the following environment variables: `COZ_LOG`, `COZ_LOG_CMD`, and `COZ_LOG_CMD_DUP`. In order to diagnose a problem for an individual user, create a `dspipes.rc` file in their individual `.ssh` directory, setting these variables as directed by product support personnel.

- `COZ_LOG`

  When set, enables Dataset Pipes server level logging, excluding logging of the server side execution of Dataset Pipes commands (fromdsn, todsn, cozclient, etc.).

  When the `COZ_LOG` environment variable is not specifically set, the default is `N` which logs error, warning and notice messages. The Co:Z support team may direct setting this variable to one of E, W, N, I, D, T or F for Error, Warning, Notice, Informational, Debug, Trace, or Fine level tracing.

- `COZ_LOG_CMD`

  When set, enables logging of the server side execution of Dataset Pipes commands (fromdsn, todsn, cozclient, etc.). Logging for Dataset Pipes commands is redirected back to the client as stderr. Alternatively, logging can be configured for a specific Dataset Pipes command by specifying the `-L` option on the command. See *Appendix A, Command Reference - Dataset Pipes* for additional information.

  When the `COZ_LOG_CMD` environment variable is not specifically set, the default is `N` which logs error, warning and notice messages. The Co:Z support team may direct setting this variable to one of E, W, N, I, D, T or F for Error, Warning, Notice, Informational, Debug, Trace, or Fine level tracing.

- `COZ_LOG_CMD_DUP`

  The default for this variable is `false`. Setting this variable to `true` duplicates Dataset Pipes command stderr to the client and the server session log. Setting this option to `true` in a user's `dspipes.rc` file captures the most complete set of information in one server session log file.

2.4 z/OS Remote Services Session Config Files

The file `/etc/ssh/dspipes_config` can be used to customize the options available for a **cozcontrol** durable session. The permissions for this file should be `0644`. While user's can override these properties, they are intended to be site-wide properties.

A sample file (`dspipes_site_config`) is provided in `<COZ_INST>/samples`, and should be copied to the `/etc/ssh` directory:

```
cp <COZ_INST>/samples/dspipes_site_config /etc/ssh/dspipes_config
chmod 644 /etc/ssh/dspipes_config
```

Table 2.2. Durable session Dataset Pipes server properties

Property	Description
server-ports	Default: 8050-8058. Identifies the ports the server can use to set up its socket listener. This property is not used when tunneling is configured on **cozcontrol start**.
server-host	Default: gethostname(). The external address of the Dataset Pipes server running on z/OS. Used by the **cozcontrol** and client Dataset pipes commands to send messages to the socket listener established when the Dataset Pipes server is started. This option is not used for tunneled connections.
inactivity-interval-minutes	Default: 15 minutes. The Dataset Pipes server will shutdown its socket server and end the SSH connection when the inactivity-interval-minutes expires due to no Dataset Pipes command activity during the durable session.

3. General Dataset Pipes Examples

This chapter contains common examples for using Dataset Pipes. The commands in this section can be used in three different environments (use cases):

- **z/OS Unix System Services Integration:** from any z/OS Unix shell (see *Section D.2, "Using the z/OS Unix Shell"*) including Co:Z Batch,

- **z/OS Hybrid Batch:** from a shell process executing on a distributed system by the Co:Z Launcher, or

- **z/OS Remote Services:** from a remote client initiatinig a connection to z/OS using a **cozcontrol** durable SSH connection. Optionally, these commands can be modified to specify the target system connection information directly on the command by adding the -ssh option. See *Chapter 4, z/OS Remote Services Examples*.

These examples assume that you have installed and configured the *Co:Z Toolkit for z/OS* on your z/OS server, the *Co:Z Target System Toolkits* on non-z/OS servers, and in the z/OS remote services use case, completed *the section called "Configuring the Dataset Pipes subsystem"* on the target z/OS server.

For questions or to suggest new examples for this chapter, please visit the *Dovetailed Technologies z/OS Forum*

3.1 Copy an MVS dataset to a zFS file

```
fromdsn //MVS1.INPUT.DATASET > /home/user/mydata
```

The **fromdsn** command reads an MVS dataset and converts it to a stream of bytes written to stdout. The above command redirects ('>') this output to a zFS file. With the default options for **fromdsn**:

- Trailing pad characters (default is spaces) will be removed from the dataset records

- Linefeeds (EBCDIC "newline") characters will be added to the end of each record

3.2 Copy a zFS file to an MVS dataset

```
todsn //MVS1.OUTPUT.DATASET < /home/user/myfile
```

The zFS file is redirected to stdin of the **todsn** command which converts the data to records written to the MVS dataset. The default options for **todsn** are in effect:

- Input lines will be broken on CR, LF, or CRLF.

- If the dataset is new, then its default attributes will be "recfm=VB,lrecl=1028".

- Lines longer than allowed by the dataset will be wrapped onto multiple records.

3.3 Copy an MVS dataset (PDS member) to a zFS file

```
fromdsn '//mvs1.my.lib(member1)' > /home/user/member1
```

The **fromdsn** command reads an MVS dataset and converts it to a stream of bytes written to stdout. The above command redirects ('>') this output to a zFS file. With the default options for fromdsn:

- Trailing pad characters (default is spaces) will be removed from the dataset records

- Linefeeds (EBCDIC "newline") characters will be added to the end of each record

- The single quotes are required to prevent the Unix shell from interpreting the parentheses as meta characters.

3.4 Copy a zFS file to a PDS member

```
todsn '//MVS1.MYLIB.DATA(MEMBER1)' < /home/user/myfile
```

The single quotes are required so that the parentheses will not be interpreted as shell meta-characters.

3.5 Specifying dataset names

```
todsn //userid.test.data < /home/user/myfile
todsn -r //test.data < /home/user/myfile
```

- By default, dataset names are assumed to be fully-qualified.

- The -r option can be used to automatically add a prefix of the current userid. Assuming that the current userid is "userid", the to above commands use the same dataset.

- Dataset names are always upper case, but upper or lower case names may be given.

- Dataset names that include PDS member names should be enclosed in single quotes, so that the parentheses will not be interpreted as shell meta characters. Quoting the dataset name does not imply anything more; the -r option may still be used to indicate that the userid should be added as a prefix.

3.6 Copy an ASCII zFS file to an EBCDIC MVS dataset

```
todsn -s iso8859-1 -r //my.dataset < /home/user/ascii.txt
```

- The -s option names the source codepage(charset) used to convert the data.

- The -t option may be used to specify the target codepage.

- If either -s or -t is omitted, they default to the current codepage for the process's locale, which is commonly "IBM-1047" (EBCDIC, Latin).

- The arguments to -s and >-t may also be numeric CCSIDs.

- If the same effective CCSID is specified as both the source and target, then no translation is performed.

- The IBM z/OS Unicode Translation service (see *Section D.5, "The z/OS Unicode Translation Services"*), is used for all codepage conversions. Starting with z/OS 1.6, this service is configured and enabled by default, but your environment may need to be customized to include specific codepage that you wish to use. If the requested codepage conversions are not available, then Dataset Pipes will try to fall back and use the `iconv()` C-library routine.

3.7 Copy to an MVS dataset, overriding target DCB attributes

```
todsn -o 'recfm=fb,lrecl=80' //MVS1.DATASET1 < /home/user/myfile
```

The -o option is used to provide additional options to the `fopen()` API. (see *Section D.3, "The z/OS C library fopen() routine"*), which is used by **todsn** to open the output dataset. The base `fopen()` options used by todsn to open output datasets is "`rb,type=record,noseek`" Since fixed length records are called for in this example, todsn will pad any short records with spaces. (The pad character can be overridden using the -p option).

3.8 Copy to an MVS dataset, truncating long lines

```
todsn -w trunc //MVS1.DATASET1 < /home/user/myfile
```

The -w option is used specify how to handle lines longer than the maximum record length of the target dataset. The default is to wrap long lines to a new record. Specify `trunc` to cause long lines to be truncated, or `error` to cause the command to fail if a long line is encountered.

3.9 Copy an MVS dataset using DISP=SHR

```
fromdsn -x shr //mvs1.input.dataset > /home/user/mydata
```

The default allocation status used by `fopen()` in "read" mode is DISP=OLD. The - x option can be used to specify BPXWDYN allocation keywords (see *Section D.4, "The z/OS BPXWDYN dynamic allocation service"*). In this example, the keyword `shr` is used to specify a allocation status of "share", which allows for multiple jobs to read the same dataset simultaneously.

3.10 Copy one MVS dataset to another

```
fromdsn //mvs1.input.dataset | todsn //mvs1.output.dataset
```

The **fromdsn** reads the input dataset and converts it to a stream of bytes which is piped into the **todsn** command which converts that stream of bytes to the output dataset. If the output dataset is new, then the default attributes of `"recfm=vb,lrecl=1028"`. Existing DCB attributes are used if the output dataset already exists. Default line-termination and wrap rules apply, which fine for text data.

3.11 Copy one MVS dataset to another using the same attributes

```
fromdsn //mvs1.input.dataset |
   todsn -x 'new like(mvs1.input.dataset)' //mvs1.output.dataset
```

The `-x` option is used to specify the "new" and "like" BPXWDYN allocation keyword, which copies attributes (DCB, SPACE, etc) from a model dataset to allocate the new output dataset. Newline characters are, by default, used as record delimiters, so this command is only appropriate for text datasets.

3.12 Copy one MVS non-text dataset to another

```
fromdsn -k -l rdw //mvs1.input.dataset |
   todsn -l rdw -x 'new like(mvs1.input.dataset)' //mvs1.output.dataset
```

The `-l rdw` option is used on both the **fromdsn** and **todsn** commands to indicate that four byte record-descriptor-words (RDW) should be used in the piped stream to indicate record boundaries. The fromdsn `-k` option specifies that pad characters should not be trimmed from the end of records (trimming is the default for fixed-length records).

3.13 Translate a file to the ISO8859-1 codepage from the default z/OS process codepage

```
fromfile -t ISO8859-1 myfile.txt > myfile_win.txt
```

• The `-t` option may be used to specify the target codepage.

3.14 Copy a zFS file to a new location, creating any

missing path components

```
tofile -p /home/user/newdir/myfile < myfile
```

- The `-p` option make the path components to filename if they don't exist (ala mkdir -p).

3.15 Copy user input to the end of an exiting dataset

```
todsn -a //userid.test.data
```

- Since the todsn command gets its input from `stdin`, entering the command without a pipe will cause it to read from the terminal. The user can type input lines, ending it `ctrl-d` which signals an end-of-file.

- The `-a` option changes the base `fopen()` options to `"ab,type=record,noseek"`, which opens the file in append (aka "mod") mode. This option can of course be used with pipes as well.

4. z/OS Remote Services Examples

This chapter contains common examples for using Dataset Pipes, specifically from a remote system. These examples assume that you have installed and configured the *Co:Z Toolkit for z/OS* on your z/OS systems, the *Co:Z Target System Toolkits* on non-z/OS systems, and completed *the section called "Configuring the Dataset Pipes subsystem"* on the target z/OS server.

For a complete set of Dataset Pipes commands that can be executed from a remote system, see *Appendix A, Command Reference - Dataset Pipes* .

4.1 Download a dataset to a unix server over a SSH connection

```
fromdsn -ssh user@zos.myco.com 'hlq.input.dataset' > /tmp/data
```

• Downloads a MVS dataset over a SSH connection.

4.2 Upload a dataset from a unix server over a SSH connection

```
cat /tmp/data | todsn -ssh -p 2222 user@zos.myco.com 'hlq.input.dataset'
```

• Uploads a MVS dataset over a SSH connection.

4.3 Copy a MVS dataset from one z/OS system to another over a SSH connection

```
fromdsn -k -l rdw //mvs1.input.dataset |
  todsn -ssh user@zos2.myco.com -l rdw //mvs2.output.dataset
```

• **fromdsn** is run locally to create a stream of RDW-delimited records that is piped into the **todsn** command.

• The todsn -ssh option creates a SSH client connection over which it runs a remote todsn command on the target system.

• The -ssh option requires that z/OS OpenSSH is available and configured.

- This example assumes that you have configured SSH authentication keys, since the todsn command does not allow for password prompting.

4.4 Using a durable connection, run simple dspipes commands, end the connection

```
cozcontrol start -ssh user@zos.myco.com
fromdsn 'hlq.dsn' > /home/user/mydata/data1.txt
cat /home/user/mydata/data2.txt | todsn 'hlq.dsn'
cozclient wto "message to console"
cozcontrol stop
```

- The **cozcontrol start** command establishes a SSH connection from unix to the z/OS server.

- The **fromdsn** command downloads a dataset to the unix server

- The **todsn** command uploads a file to a dataset.

- The **cozclient** command write a message to the console.

- Finally, the **cozcontrol stop** command ends the durable SSH connection.

4.5 Using a durable connection, run a pax command on z/OS, download the archive to unix, end the connection

```
cozcontrol start -ssh user@zos.myco.com
cozclient pax -wzvf "//'HLQ.DATA.ARCHIVE'" /home/user/datadir
fromdsn -b 'hlq.data.archive' > /home/user/mydata/data.archive.pax
cozclient tso delete 'data.archive'
cozclient wto "archive complete"
cozcontrol stop
```

- The **cozcontrol start** command establishes a SSH connection to the z/OS server.

- The **cozclient** command executes a **pax** on z/OS to back up a directory to a dataset. Note: pax archives to a dataset only to show a tso delete command in the example.

- The **fromdsn** command copies the dataset backup to the remore system in binary mode.

- The **cozclient** command deletes the dataset backup.

- The **cozclient** command write a message to the console indicating that the archive is complete.

- Finally, the **cozcontrol stop** command ends the durable SSH connection.

4.6 From a remote linux system, start a tunneled durable connection, run dspipes commands, end the connection

```
cozcontrol start -t -ssh user@zos.myco.com
fromdsn 'hlq.dsn' > /home/user/mydata/data1.txt
cat /home/user/mydata/data2.txt | todsn 'hlq.dsn'
cozclient wto "message to console"
cozcontrol stop
```

- The **cozcontrol start** command specifies the -t option setting up a SSH control master with local port forwarding.

- Subsequent **todsn**, **fromdsn**, and **cozclient** commands are forwarded over this SSH connection.

4.7 Scripted Co:Z Remote Services example

```
#! /bin/bash

# Sample script: z/OS Remote Services Example
#
# This script expects user@host as a parameter. Using this parameter,
#    1. establishes a cozcontrol control session.
#    2. retrieves a dataset using the socket established on start,
#    3. runs a command on the z/OS server,
#    4. stops the cozcontrol session.
#
# ENVIRONMENT VARIABLE:
#    COZ_LOG
#    COZ_CONTROL_SESSION
#
# SCRIPT VARIABLES:
#    USER_HOST  - initialized with input parameter value
#    SSH_LOG_FILE
#
export COZ_LOG=I

#SSH_LOG_FILE="-E /tmp/ssh.log"

if [ "$1" = "" ]
then
  echo "Usage: user@host required."
  exit
fi
USER_HOST=$1
```

```
# Start a cozcontrol session
./cozcontrol start -ssh $SSH_LOG_FILE $USER_HOST
rc=$?
if [ "$rc" -ne "0" ]; then { echo "cozcontrol start failed. rc=$rc" ; exit 1; } fi

# Retrieve a dataset from the server.
COZ_CONTROL_SESSION=$USER_HOST ./fromdsn 'hlq.dsn' > /tmp/data.txt
rc=$?
if [ "$rc" -ne "0" ]; then { echo "fromdsn failed. rc=$rc" ; exit 1; } fi

./cozclient wto "MESSAGE TO CONSOLE"

# Stop the cozcontrol session
COZ_CONTROL_SESSION=$USER_HOST ./cozcontrol stop
rc=$?
if [ "$rc" -ne "0" ]; then { echo "cozcontrol stop failed. rc=$rc" ; exit 1; } fi
```

- A zero return code from **cozcontrol start** means that the SSH connection to the server has been established. If the ssh connection is not successful, SSH logging can be enabled by adding -vvv to the **cozcontrol start** command and reviewing the log captured by setting the script variable SSH_LOG_FILE.

- Setting the environment variable COZ_CONTROL_SESSION to the user@host parameter on each DatasetPipes command allows multiple copies of the script to be run concurrently by the same user to different target hosts.

Appendix A. Command Reference - Dataset Pipes

- *cozclient(1)*

- *cozcontrol(1)*

- *fromdsn(1)*

- *fromfile(1)*

- *toasa(1)*

- *todsn(1)*

- *tofile(1)*

Name

cozclient — run a zos command from a remote system

Synopsis

```
cozclient [OPTION...] command [command-options...]
cozclient -ssh [ssh-options...] [user]@host [OPTION...] command [command-options...]
cozclient -v
cozclient -h
```

Description

The **cozclient** command allows a remote process to excute the z/OS `command [command-options...]`. Input (`stdin`) to the command is provided by the remote process and Output (`stdout`) from the command is redirected back to the remote process. Error output (`stderr`) from the command can be routed back to the remote client or to the Co:Z Server's stderr stream (if using the Co:Z Launcher).

The z/OS path when executing the command will by default be set to `/bin:$COZ_HOME/bin`.

The **cozclient** command runs in one of the following environments:

• remotely, from a client which was started by Co:Z launcher.

• remotely, from a client that started a durable session to the server using the **cozcontrol** command.

• remotely, from a client-initiated ssh connection: `-ssh` option

Options

`-ssh [ssh-options...] [user]@host`

    Specifies a remote invocation of **cozclient** using a client-initiated ssh connection to the given z/OS user@host. The optional stdin, stdout, stderr format options, if specified, must be before the `-ssh` option.

`-h`

    display help and exit.

`-i` stdin_format

    `t`

    stdin sent to the command in text format. Characters are converted from the remote client's codepage to to the active z/OS codepage before being sent to the command.

    `b`

    stdin sent to the command in binary format

    `n`

no stdin is sent to the command. This is the default.

`-o` stdout_format

    `t`

stdout from the command is sent to the remote client in text format. Characters are converted from the active z/OS codepage to the remote client's codepage. This is the default.

    `b`

stdout from the command is sent to the remote client in binary format

    `n`

stdout from the command is discarded

`-e` stderr_format

    `t`

stderr from the command is sent to the remote client in text format. Characters are converted from the active z/OS codepage to the remote client's codepage. This is the default when `-ssh` is specified or a **cozcontrol** durable session is used.

    `b`

stderr from the command is sent to the remote client in binary format

    `s`

stderr from the command is sent to the Co:Z Server's stderr stream (generally SYSOUT). This is the default when using CoZLauncher.

`-v`

    display the current version and exit.

Examples

Remote Co:Z Launcher Examples

`cozclient -in -ot ls -al`

    Run the `ls` command on z/OS. Output is converted to the client codepage and is directed to the remote system's stdout stream.

`cozclient -in wto "MESSAGE TO CONSOLE"`

    Use the Co:Z toolkit z/OS **wto** command to send a message to the z/OS console.

Remote Client SSH Connection Examples

`cozclient -ssh user@myzos2.com ls -al`

    Run the `ls` command on z/OS.

`cat jcl.txt | cozclient -ssh user@myzos2.com submit`

Submits a job to the internal reader on z/OS. The JCL is contained in the local file `jcl.txt`.

Name

cozcontrol — start/stop a durable connection to the Dataset Pipes subsystem on a target server

Synopsis

```
cozcontrol start [-t]  -ssh [ssh-options...] [user]@host
cozcontrol stop
cozcontrol -v
cozcontrol -h
```

Description

The **cozcontrol** command starts and stops a durable connection to the Dataset Pipes subsystem on a target server.

When starting a durable session, the **cozcontrol start** command is executed over the specified SSH connection to the Dataset Pipes SSH server subsystem on the target server. The Dataset Pipes subsystem starts a socket server to listen and process commands. Subsequent commands (fromdsn, todsn, cozclient, etc) retrieve connection properties from **cozcontrol**, use this information to establish a socket connection to the socket server, and execute the command on the server. The durable session ends when the **cozcontrol stop** command is issued (or an inactivity timeout occurs on the server) causing the socket server to shutdown and ending the SSH connection.

Alternatively, the **cozcontrol** command can be started with a tunneled option (-t). In this case, the initial SSH connection is configured as a control master with local port forwarding. Subsequent Dataset Pipes commands are forwarded to the server over the SSH connection established by **cozcontrol start**.

In both modes, the SSH connection remains established until either a **cozcontrol stop** command is executed or an inactivity timeout on the server occurs.

A user may set up concurrent durable sessions to multiple user/host pairs; however, not multiple sessions to the same user/host pair. To identify which durable session to use, set the environment variable COZ_CONTROL_SESSION to user@host prior to executing Dataset Pipes and **cozcontrol stop** commands.

Options

start

    Starts a durable connection to the Dataset Pipes subsystem on a target server.

    The **cozcontrol start** process runs in the background until a **stop** command is issued. If the terminal running the **start** command ends, the cozcontrol **start** process and its child SSH process will continue to run until the timeout occurs in the z/OS dspipes subsystem. This timeout value is configurable in dspipes_config.

-t

    Specifies that the **cozcontrol** durable connection be tunneled. In this case, the initial SSH connection is configured as a control master. Subsequent Dataset Pipes commands are forwarded over the SSH connection. The -t option is not set by default. When set, the environment variable COZ_CONTROL_PATH sets the control path. By default, the control path is ~/.ssh/cm-%r@%h:%p.sock. This option can only be spectified after

the **start** keyword.

Notes:

• OpenSSH 5.6 or later is required.

`-ssh [ssh-options...] [user]@host`
    Specifies the ssh connection to the given z/OS user@host for the **cozcontrol start** command. This option is required and only permitted with the **start** keyword.

`stop`
    Stops a durable connection to the Dataset Pipes subsystem on a target server.

`-h`
    display help and exit.

`-v`
    display the current version and exit.

Examples

Execute Dataset Pipes commands in a durable session

`cozcontrol start -ssh user@host`

`fromdsn 'hlq.dsn' > /home/user/mydata/data1.txt`

`todsn 'hlq.dsn' < /home/user/mydata/data2.txt`

`cozclient wto "message to console"`

`cozcontrol stop`
    This example shows a durable session started for user@host. The next three commands (**fromdsn**, **todsn**, and **cozclient**) are executed over the socket connection established by **cozcontrol start**. Once the commands are complete, **cozcontrol stop** causes the socket connection to shutdown and the SSH connection to end.

Start a tunneled durable session

`cozcontrol start -t -ssh user@host`
    Start a tunneled durable session for user@host. Subsequent Dataset Pipes commands are forwarded over the shared SSH connection established by **cozcontrol start**.

Name

fromdsn — write the contents of a z/OS dataset to stdout

Synopsis

```
fromdsn [OPTION...] dataset-name
fromdsn -ssh [ssh-opt...] [user]@host [OPTION...] dataset-name
fromdsn -local [OPTION...] dataset-name
fromdsn -v
fromdsn -h
```

Description

The **fromdsn** command reads a z/OS MVS dataset and writes a stream of data to stdout. Lines (if requested) are produced from dataset records based on the options provided.

The **fromdsn** command runs in one of three environments:

- locally (default on z/OS sytems)

- remotely, from a client which was started by Co:Z launcher.

- remotely, from a client that started a durable session to the server using the **cozcontrol** command.

- remotely, from a client-initiated ssh connection: `-ssh` option

The user has wide flexibility in choosing:

- How `dataset-name` is to be allocated/opened for writing

- How records are to be created from the incoming source lines

- What character set (codepage) translations are to be performed

`dataset-name` is automatically converted to upper case, and is assumed to be fully qualified unless otherwise specified (see the `-r` option below). If `dataset-name` starts with 'DD:', then it refers to an existing DDNAME.

The fromdsn command also supports reading JES spool files using special `dataset-name` syntax:

- `-JES.jobid` - reads the concatenated spool files for a given job. The `-S` option may be specified to indicate that SYSIN spool files should be included.

- `-JES.jobid.dsid` - reads a specific spool file by numerid dsid.

- `-JES.jobid.[stepname[.procstep]ddame` - reads the first spool file in a job that matches a step/procstep/ddname. This form may also be used to retrieve SYSIN spool files. When reading `-JES.jobid.JESJCLIN`, the output will include not only JCL card images, but also embedded SYSIN spool files.

Options

`-ssh` [ssh-options...] [`user`]`@host`

 Specifies a remote invocation of **fromdsn** using a client-initiated ssh connection to the given z/OS user@host. If specified, this must be the first command option.

`-local`

 Specifies the use of local z/OS I/O, even if run via CoZLauncher. Applicable when the source and target are both z/OS. If specified, this must be the first command option.

`-b`

 binary mode, same as `-l none -p 0x00`.

`-h`

 display help and exit.

`-k`

 keep trailing pad characters in record. The default is to trim if `dataset-name` has fixed length records.

`-K`

 always trim trailing pad characters, even if the dataset contains variable-length records.

`-l` line-separator
 `nl|cr|lf|crlf|crnl`

 follow lines with a newline, carriage return, linefeed, or combination. The characters are taken from the target codepage. The default is `nl`.

 `rdw`

 preceed lines with a four byte IBM-style RDW, consisting of a two byte network order (big endian) length, followed by two bytes of zeros.

 `l4`

 preceed lines with a four byte network order (big endian) length of the record that follows. Note: Unlike the `rdw` option, this length value does **not** include the size of the length field.

 `mfrdw`

 Write a 128 byte MicroFocus standard header prior to output data. Preceed each line with a network order (big endian) length. If the maximum record length is < 4095 bytes, the length field is 2 bytes. If the maximum record length is >= 4095 bytes, the length field is 4 bytes. Each line is padded with zeros to the nearest 4 byte boundary. This only supports `Variable Format Record Sequential Files` containing normal data records.

 `0xbb[bb..]`

 follow lines with a hex character sequence. The sequence must be between 1 and 8 bytes long.

 `none`

no line separator

`-L` logging-options
A comma-separated list of options to control logging and tracing.

`M|A|C|E|W|N|I|D|T|F`

Logging threshhold: eMergency, Alert, Critical, Error, Warning, Notice (default), Info, Debug, Trace, Fine.

`t`

Prefix log messages with a system timestamp

`e`

Include consumed cpu time in log messages

`f=filename`

Messages are logged to `filename` on the server instead of stderr. If not fully qualified, the file is written to the user's home directory on the server.

`s`

Messages are logged to SYSLOG facility instead of stderr

`component=M|A|C|E|W|N|I|D|T|F`

Set the logging threshold for a specific component. Specify only at the request of product support personnel.

`-o` fopen-options
additional mode arguments to the z/OS C library fopen() routine. The base mode options used by **fromdsn** to open `dataset-name` are `rb,type=record,noseek"`. See "z/OS C++ Programming Guide" for details.

`-p` 0xbb
pad character.

`-q` technique-str
Codepage conversion technique string. Used to override the default Unicode Services value of `LMREC`. For more information, see IBM's Unicode Services User's Guide and Reference (SA22-7649).

`-r`
`dataset-name` will be prefixed with the current z/OS userid.

`-s` source-codepage
The codepage name or numeric CCSID id of the input dataset. If not specified, then the default z/OS process codepage is used.

`-S`
This option may be specified when reading the concatenated spool files for a JES job ('-JES.jobid') to specify that the SYSIN spool files should also be included. This feature is only available on z/OS 1.10 or later.

`-t` target-codepage

The codepage name or numeric CCSID id of data written to stdout. If not specified and invoked from a remote client with a line- separater other than 'none', 'rdw' or 'mfrdw', then the default client codepage is used, otherwise the default z/OS code- page is used. Translation is disabled if source-codepage equals target-codepage.

`-T` STANDARD | translate_table_dsname

Specifies the translate table to use for text mode transfers. This option overrides the `-s` `-t` `-q` options if also given. If STANDARD, the translate table TCPIP.STANDARD.TCPXLBIN is used. If a dataset name is supplied, it is expected to be in the format produced by the TSO CONVXLAT command. Only single byte translations are supported. Specifically, the dataset DCB must be LRECL=256,RECFM=F and contain two translation table records. The first record is an ASCII-to-EBCDIC mapping; the second record is an EBCDIC-to-ASCII mapping. Additional comment records (starting with * in the first column) are allowed.

`-v`

display the current version and exit.

`-x` bpxwdyn-alloc-keywords

can be specified to provide more precise control over the disposition of dataset-name than the fopen-options. For example, opening a dataset with fopen forces a disposition of 'OLD'. This may not always be desirable in a shared batch environment. The bpxwdyn keywords enable different dispostions to be specified (e.g 'SHR'). If `dataset-name` is 'DD:name', then this option is ignored. For a complete list of options, see the IBM manual: "Using REXX and z/OS UNIX System Services".

Files

fromdsn may obtain name matched profile information for a dataset from either a per-user profile or a system-wide profile on the z/OS system. For well known `dataset-name` patterns, profile options can be used to significantly reduce the specification of individual options on the command line. The file format and profile options are described in dsn_profile(5).

Examples

Local z/OS Examples

`fromdsn mvs1.my.lib(member1) > /home/user/member1`
Copies an MVS dataset (PDS member) to an HFS/zFS file.

`fromdsn -x shr mvs1.input.dataset > /home/user/mydata`
Copies an MVS dataset using DISP=SHR.

`fromdsn mvs1.input.dataset | todsn mvs1.output.dataset`
Copies one MVS dataset to another

`fromdsn -jes.job123 > job.out`
Copies all output from a job to an HFS/zFS file

`fromdsn -jes.j333.report.sysprint > report.txt`
Copies the output from a job's spool file to an HFS/zFS file

Remote Client SSH Connection Examples

```
fromdsn -ssh user@myzos2.com //mvs1.input.dataset > /tmp/data
```
Downloads an MVS dataset over an SSH connection (Unix).

```
fromdsn  -ssh  -p  2222  user@myzos2.com  -l  rdw  -r  //binary.dataset  >
/tmp/rdw.bin.data
```
Downloads a MVS dataset over an SSH connection with addtional ssh options: (the dataset contains binary records which are prefixed with RDWs)

See Also

todsn(1)

Name

fromfile — write the contents of a z/OS POSIX file to stdout

Synopsis

```
fromfile [OPTION...] filename
fromfile -ssh [ssh-opt...] [user]@host [OPTION...] filename
fromfile -local filename
fromfile -v
fromfile -h
```

Description

The **fromfile** command reads a z/OS POSIX file and writes a stream of data to stdout. The produced stream of bytes are translated and given target system line terminators (if requested).

The **fromfile** command runs in one of three environments:

- locally (default on z/OS sytems)

- remotely, from a client which was started by Co:Z launcher.

- remotely, from a client that started a durable session to the server using the **cozcontrol** command.

- remotely, from a client-initiated ssh connection: -ssh option

filename is a path to the z/OS POSIX file to read. It may be either an absolute or relative path.

Options

-ssh [ssh-options...] [user]@host
  Specifies a remote invocation of **fromfile** using a client-initiated ssh connection to the given z/OS user@host. If specified, this must be the first command option.

-local
  Specifies the use of local z/OS I/O, even if run via CoZLauncher. Applicable when the source and target are both z/OS. If specified, this must be the first command option.

-b
  binary mode. Bytes are streamed as-is from the POSIX file to stdout.

-h
  display help and exit.

-l line-separator
  nl|cr|lf|crlf|crnl

  follow lines with a newline, carriage return, linefeed, or combination. The characters are taken from the target

codepage. The default is `nl`.

`0xbb[bb..]`

follow lines with a hex character sequence. The sequence must be between 1 and 8 bytes long.

`none`

no line separator

`-L` logging-options

A comma-separated list of options to control logging and tracing.

`M|A|C|E|W|N|I|D|T|F`

Logging threshhold: eMergency, Alert, Critical, Error, Warning, Notice (default), Info, Debug, Trace, Fine.

`t`

Prefix log messages with a system timestamp

`e`

Include consumed cpu time in log messages

`f=filename`

Messages are logged to `filename` on the server instead of stderr. If not fully qualified, the file is written to the user's home directory on the server.

`s`

Messages are logged to SYSLOG facility instead of stderr

`component=M|A|C|E|W|N|I|D|T|F`

Set the logging threshold for a specific component. Specify only at the request of product support personnel.

`-q` technique-str

Codepage conversion technique string. Used to override the default Unicode Services value of `LMREC`. For more information, see IBM's Unicode Services User's Guide and Reference (SA22-7649).

`-s` source-codepage

The codepage name or numeric CCSID id of filename. If not specified, then the default z/OS process codepage is used.

`-t` target-codepage

The codepage name or numeric CCSID id of data written to stdout. If not specified and invoked from a remote client, the default client codepage is used. Translation is disabled if source-codepage equals target-codepage.

`-T` STANDARD | translate_table_dsname

Specifies the translate table to use for text mode transfers. This option overrides the `-s` `-t` `-q` options if also given. If `STANDARD`, the translate table TCPIP.STANDARD.TCPXLBIN is used. If a dataset name is supplied, it is expected to be in the format produced by the TSO CONVXLAT command. Only single byte translations

are supported. Specifically, the dataset DCB must be LRECL=256,RECFM=F and contain two translation table records. The first record is an ASCII-to-EBCDIC mapping; the second record is an EBCDIC-to-ASCII mapping. Additional comment records (starting with * in the first column) are allowed.

`-v`

    display the current version and exit.

Examples

Local z/OS Examples

`fromfile -b /etc/profile > /home/user/profile`
    Copies a file "as-is" to another location.

`fromfile -t ISO8859-1 myfile.txt > myfile.txt`
    Translates a file to the ISO8859-1 codepage from the default z/OS process codepage (e.g. IBM-1047).

Remote Client SSH Connection Example

`fromfile -ssh user@myzos2.com -b /home/user/data.bin > /tmp/data.bin`
    Downloads binary data from z/OS to a remote system over over an SSH connection. No translation is performed.

See Also

tofile(1)

Name

toasa — read a stream of data from stdin converting ASCII form-feed characters to ASA carriage control characters in stdout

Synopsis

```
toasa
toasa -v
toasa -h
```

Description

The **toasa** command converts ASCII form feeds to ASA control characters in a stream of data read from stdin. The converted output is written to stdout. Output lines will only have '1' (page eject) or ' ' (single line) carriage control in column one of each output line.

Options

-h
    display help and exit.

-v
    display the current version and exit.

Examples

Remote Client SSH Connection Examples

cat /tmp/data | toasa | todsn -ssh user@myzos2.com -r //my.dataset
    Uploads a file to an MVS Dataset over an SSH connection (Unix), converting the stream from /tmp/data to ASA format so that it is suitable for a z/OS dataset with RECFM=FBA.

Name

todsn — read a stream of data from stdin and write records to a z/OS dataset

Synopsis

```
todsn [OPTION...] dataset-name
todsn -ssh [ssh-opt...] [user]@host [OPTION...] dataset-name
todsn -local [OPTION...] dataset-name
todsn -v
todsn -h
```

Description

The **todsn** command writes records to dataset-name using a stream of data read from stdin. Dataset records are created from the input stream based on the options provided.

The **todsn** command runs in one of three environments:

- locally (default on z/OS sytems)

- remotely, from a client which was started by Co:Z launcher.

- remotely, from a client that started a durable session to the server using the **cozcontrol** command.

- remotely, from a client-initiated ssh connection: -ssh option

The user has wide flexibility in choosing:

- How dataset-name is to be allocated/opened for writing

- How records are to be created from the incoming source lines

- What character set (codepage) translations are to be performed

dataset-name is automatically converted to upper case, and is assumed to be fully qualified unless otherwise specified (see the -r option below). If dataset-name starts with 'DD:', then it refers to an existing DDNAME.

If dataset-name is //INTRDR, then the system internal reader is automatically allocated with a default RECFM=F and LRECL=80. In this case, the pseudo BPXWDYN option symlist() may be specified in order to pass one, or more JES system symbols to the internal reader. See *this example*.

Options

-ssh [ssh-options...] [user]@host
    Specifies a remote invocation of **todsn** using a client-initiated ssh connection to the given z/OS user@host. If specified, this must be the first command option.

-local

Specifies the use of local z/OS I/O, even if run via CoZLauncher. Applicable when the source and target are both z/OS. If specified, this must be the first command option.

`-a`

open `dataset-name` in append/mod mode. This option changes the base fopen() options to `ab,type=record,noseek`.

`-b`

binary flow mode, same as `-l none -p 0x00 -w flow`.

`-f`

begin writing data to `dataset-name` immediately (disable buffering). This is the default if used with a tunneled socket or if `dataset-name` refers to a SYSOUT data set.

`-h`

display help and exit.

`-l` line-separator
    `flexible|cr|lf|crlf|nl|crnl`

source lines are separated by combination of linefeed and/or carriage return characters. The default is 'flexible' which allows for any of the other patterns above. These characters are taken from the source codepage.

`rdw`

source lines are preceeded with a four byte IBM-style RDW, consisting of a two byte network order (big endian) length followed by two bytes of zeros.

`mfrdw`

Source data is preceeded by a 128 byte MicroFocus standard header. Source lines are preceeded with a network order (big endian) length. If the maximum record length is < 4095 bytes, the length field is 2 bytes. If the maximum record length is >= 4095 bytes, the length field is 4 bytes. Each record must be padded with zeros to the nearest 4 byte boundary. This only supports `Variable Format Record Sequential Files` containing normal data records

`0xbb[bb..]`

source lines are followed with a hex character sequence. The sequence must be between 1 and 8 bytes long.

`none`

source lines do not have separators; source lines are determined by the maximum output record length.

`-L` logging-options
    A comma-separated list of options to control logging and tracing.

`M|A|C|E|W|N|I|D|T|F`

Logging threshhold: eMergency, Alert, Critical, Error, Warning, Notice (default), Info, Debug, Trace, Fine.

`t`

Prefix log messages with a system timestamp

`e`

Include consumed cpu time in log messages

`f=filename`

Messages are logged to `filename` on the server instead of stderr. If not fully qualified, the file is written to the user's home directory on the server.

`s`

Messages are logged to SYSLOG facility instead of stderr

`component=M|A|C|E|W|N|I|D|T|F`

Set the logging threshold for a specific component. Specify only at the request of product support personnel.

`-o` fopen-options

additional mode arguments to the z/OS C library fopen() routine. The base mode options used by **todsn** to open `dataset-name` are "wb,type=record,noseek". Example: "-o recfm=vb,lrecl=1028". See "z/OS C++ Programming Guide" for details.

`-p` 0xbb

pad character. The default is the source codepage space character.

`-q` technique-str

Codepage conversion technique string. Used to override the default Unicode Services value of `LMREC`. For more information, see IBM's Unicode Services User's Guide and Reference (SA22-7649).

`-r`

`dataset-name` will be prefixed with the current z/OS userid.

`-s` source-codepage

The codepage name or numeric CCSID id of the input data. If not specified and invoked from a remote client with a line-separator other than 'none', 'rdw' or 'mfrdw', then the default client codepage is used, otherwise the default z/OS codepage is used.

`-t` target-codepage

The codepage name or numeric CCSID id of output dataset. If not specified, then the default z/OS process codepage is used. Translation is disabled if source-codepage equals target-code- page.

`-T` STANDARD | translate_table_dsname

Specifies the translate table to use for text mode transfers. This option overrides the `-s` `-t` `-q` options if also given. If `STANDARD`, the translate table TCPIP.STANDARD.TCPXLBIN is used. If a dataset name is supplied, it is expected to be in the format produced by the TSO CONVXLAT command. Only single byte translations are supported. Specifically, the dataset DCB must be LRECL=256,RECFM=F and contain two translation table records. The first record is an ASCII-to-EBCDIC mapping; the second record is an EBCDIC-to-ASCII mapping. Additional comment records (starting with * in the first column) are allowed.

`-v`

display the current version and exit.

-w wrap-options

    `error`

    an error is returned if the source line is longer than the maximum record length.

    `flow`

    source lines longer than the maximum record length are flowed across subsequent records. For fixed record formats, the pad character is used to complete the final record resulting from the source line.

    `trunc`

    source lines longer than the maximum record length are truncated

    `wrap`

    source lines longer than the maximum record length are broken into multiple records. The default is 'wrap'.

-x bpxwdyn-alloc-keywords

    can be specified to provide more precise control over dataset allocation than the fopen-options. These allocation options allow `dataset-name` to be created with specific space and disposition parameters, or allow `dataset-name` to be created like an already existing dataset. If `dataset-name` is 'DD:name', then this option is ignored. For a complete list of options, see the IBM manual: "Using REXX and z/OS UNIX System Services". Note: DCB options such as RECFM, LRECL, and BLKSIZE must be specified on the **-o** option.

-z

    allow for an empty input stream. If not specified, the default is to exit with an error and not open or write to the output dataset if the input stream is empty.

Files

todsn may obtain name matched profile information for a dataset from either a per-user profile or a system-wide profile on the z/OS system. For well known `dataset-name` patterns, profile options can be used to significantly reduce the specification of individual options on the command line. The file format and profile options are described in dsn_profile(5).

Examples

Local z/OS Examples

```
todsn //MVS1.DATASET1 < myfile
```
    Copies an HFS or zFS file to an MVS dataset.

```
todsn -o 'recfm=fb,lrecl=80' //MVS1.DATASET1 < myfile
```
    Copies to an MVS dataset, overriding target DCB attributes.

```
todsn -w trunc //MVS1.DATASET1 < myfile
```
    Copies to an MVS dataset, truncating long lines

```
todsn -x shr '//MVS1.MYLIB.DATA(MEMBER1)' < myfile
```
    Copies to a PDS member, allocating with DISP=SHR.

```
todsn -r //test.data < myfile
```
Specifies a relative dataset name (HLQ will be added).

```
cat /home/user/ascii.txt | todsn -s iso8859-1 -r //my.dataset
```
Copies an ASCII HFS file to an EBCDIC MVS dataset.

```
cat /home/user/rdw.bin | todsn -l rdw -r //my.dataset
```
Copies a binary HFS file with RDW-prefixed lines to an MVS dataset.

```
todsn -x "symlist(*)" //intrdr <myjcl.txt
```
Submits a file as a job to the internal reader. The pseudo BPXWDYN keyword `symlist` is used to specify that all JES system symbols are to be passed to the internal reader (requires z/OS 2.1).

Remote Client SSH Connection Examples

```
todsn -ssh user@myzos2.com -r //my.dataset </tmp/myfile
```
Uploads a file to an MVS Dataset over an SSH connection (Unix).

```
todsn -ssh user@myzos2.com -r '//my.pds(mem1)' <myfile
```
Uploads a file to an MVS PDS Member over an SSH connection (Unix).

```
cat /tmp/data | todsn -ssh -p 2222 user@myzos2.com -r '//my.pds(mem1)'
```
Uploads a file to an MVS Dataset with additional ssh options.

See Also

fromdsn(1)

Name

tofile — read a stream of data from stdin and write to a z/OS POSIX file

Synopsis

```
tofile [OPTION...] filename
tofile -ssh [ssh-opt...] [user]@host [OPTION...] filename
tofile -local [OPTION...] filename
tofile -v
tofile -h
```

Description

The **tofile** command writes a stream of bytes to `filename` using a stream of data read from stdin. Codepage translation is performed and custom source line terminators are respected depending on the options provided.

The **tofile** command runs in one of three environments:

- locally (default on z/OS sytems)

- remotely, from a client which was started by Co:Z launcher.

- remotely, from a client that started a durable session to the server using the **cozcontrol** command.

- remotely, from a client-initiated ssh connection: `-ssh` option

`filename` is a path to the z/OS POSIX file to write. It may be either an absolute path or relative path.

Options

`-ssh [ssh-options...] [user]@host`
    Specifies a remote invocation of **tofile** using a client-initiated ssh connection to the given z/OS user@host. If specified, this must be the first command option.

`-local`
    Specifies the use of local z/OS I/O, even if run via CoZLauncher. Applicable when the source and target are both z/OS. If specified, this must be the first command option.

`-a`
    open `filename` in append mode.

`-b`
    binary mode. Bytes are streamed as-is from stdin to the POSIX file.

`-f`
    begin writing data to `filename` immediately (disable buffering). This is the default if used with a tunneled socket.

`-h`

    display help and exit.

`-l` line-separator

    `flexible|cr|lf|crlf|nl|crnl`

    source lines are separated by combination of linefeed and/or carriage return characters. The default is 'flexible' which allows for any of the other patterns above. These characters are taken from the source codepage.

    `0xbb[bb..]`

    source lines are followed with a hex character sequence. The sequence must be between 1 and 8 bytes long.

    `none`

    source lines do not have separators.

`-L` logging-options

    A comma-separated list of options to control logging and tracing.

    `M|A|C|E|W|N|I|D|T|F`

    Logging threshhold: eMergency, Alert, Critical, Error, Warning, Notice (default), Info, Debug, Trace, Fine.

    `t`

    Prefix log messages with a system timestamp

    `e`

    Include consumed cpu time in log messages

    `f=filename`

    Messages are logged to `filename` on the server instead of stderr. If not fully qualified, the file is written to the user's home directory on the server.

    `s`

    Messages are logged to SYSLOG facility instead of stderr

    `component=M|A|C|E|W|N|I|D|T|F`

    Set the logging threshold for a specific component. Specify only at the request of product support personnel.

`-m` file_access_mode

    the file access mode (as an octal number) to apply to `filename`.

`-n`

    do not replace `filename` if it exists.

`-p`

    make the path components to `filename` if they don't exist (ala **mkdir -p**).

`-q` technique-str

Codepage conversion technique string. Used to override the default Unicode Services value of `LMREC`. For more information, see IBM's Unicode Services User's Guide and Reference (SA22-7649).

`-s` source-codepage

the codepage name or numeric CCSID id of the data read from stdin. If not specified and invoked from a remote client, the default client codepage is used.

`-t` target-codepage

the codepage name or numeric CCSID id of the output `filename`. If not specified, the default z/OS process codepage is used. Translation is disabled if source-codepage equals target-code- page.

`-T` STANDARD | translate_table_dsname

Specifies the translate table to use for text mode transfers. This option overrides the `-s` `-t` `-q` options if also given. If `STANDARD`, the translate table TCPIP.STANDARD.TCPXLBIN is used. If a dataset name is supplied, it is expected to be in the format produced by the TSO CONVXLAT command. Only single byte translations are supported. Specifically, the dataset DCB must be LRECL=256,RECFM=F and contain two translation table records. The first record is an ASCII-to-EBCDIC mapping; the second record is an EBCDIC-to-ASCII mapping. Additional comment records (starting with * in the first column) are allowed.

`-u` umask

the umask (as an octal number) to apply to `filename`.

`-v`

display the current version and exit.

`-z`

allow for an empty input stream. If not specified, the default is to exit with an error and not open or write to the output filename if the input stream is empty.

Examples

Local z/OS Examples

`tofile -t ISO8859-1 /home/user/myfile.iso8859 < myfile`
Creates a copy of an HFS or zFS file locally, translating the default z/OS process codepage to ISO8859-1.

`tofile -p /home/user/newdir/myfile < myfile`
Copies an HFS or zFS file to a new location, creating any missing path components (e.g. newdir).

Remote Client SSH Connection Examples

`tofile -ssh user@myzos2.com /home/user/mydata < /tmp/data`
Uploads a remote file over an SSH connection (Unix). Codepage translation is performed from the remote unix codepage to the current z/OS process codepage.

`tofile -ssh user@myzos2.com -b /home/user/data.bin < /tmp/data.bin`
Uploads a remote file over an SSH connection as-is (no codepage translation is performed).

```
cat  /tmp/myscript.sh  |  tofile  -ssh  -p  2222  user@myzos2.com  -m  0777
/home/user/myscript.sh
```

Uploads a remote file with additional ssh options. The target file will be given a file access mask of 0777 (rwxrwxrwx), but is subject to the user's existing umask.

See Also

fromfile(1)

Appendix B. Co:Z Environment Variables

The following table describes the environment variables defined by the Co:Z Toolkit. These variables can be set to override default behavior.

Table B.1. Miscellaneous options

Variable	Description
COZ_SSH_CMD	Specifies an alternate executable for the SSH client used to connect to z/OS. By default, this is `ssh`. For example, to use the PuTTY command line client `plink` instead of `ssh` set `COZ_SSH_CMD=/path/to/plink`.
COZ_SSH_OPTS	Convenience setting for supplying SSH options, including userid and host when making remote dataset pipes calls. For example, the command `fromdsn -ssh user@host //mydsn` can be simplified to `fromdsn //mydsn` if `COZ_SSH_OPTS` is set to `user@host`. This is very handy for repeated use of the remote dataset pipes commands. When this varaible is set, the **cozcontrol** command can be simplified to **cozcontrol start** (omitting the -ssh user@host parameters). When a durable session is active, subsequent dataset pipes commands ignore the environment variable setting and use the durable session.
COZ_SSH_SUBSYS	Specifies an alternate SSH server subsystem name for Dataset Pipes. By default, this is `dspipes`.
COZ_CLIENT_CODEPAGE	Changes the default client code page, which is used for codepage translation in text mode data transfers (i.e. if the `-t` is not supplied). By default, the default client code page is set the result of the POSIX system call `nl_langinfo(CODESET)`.
COZ_DEFAULT_LOGSTREAM	Changes the default stream that the Co:Z Log facility writes its messages to. By default, this is the `stderr` stream.
COZ_LOG	Sets log level for CozServer session level logging. The default is N, Notice.
COZ_LOG_CMD	Sets logging level for Dataset Pipes commands running on the server (fromdsn, cozclient, etc). The default is N, Notice. Command tracing can alternately be enabled with the -L option on most Dataset Pipes commands.
COZ_LOG_CMD_DUP	When set to true (default is false), duplicates tracing enabled by COZ_LOG_CMD to the session log. This is recommended when

Variable	Description
	requesting support from Co:Z support personnel because all logging for a problem is captured in a single file.
DSPIPES_LOGFILE	Pathname of file to where DSPIPES log/debug messages are written. The default is `/tmp/dspipes.<userid>.<...>.log`
DSPIPES_LOGDIR	Directory name (without trailing slash) where DSPIPES log files are created, rather than /tmp or $TMPDIR. This variable is ignored if `DSPIPES_LOGFILE` is set.
COZ_CONTROL_SESSION	Used to identify the `user@host` associated with a `cozcontrol` durable connection. This setting is required when a user has multiple concurrent durable connections. The setting identifies the connection to use for remote Dataset Pipes commands as well as `cozcontrol stop`.
COZ_CONTROL_PATH	Used to override the default control path created with a tunneled `cozcontrol` durable connection. The default, when this variable is not set, is `~/.ssh/cm-%r@%h.sock`.

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Appendix D. References

D.1 z/OS OpenSSH

Using remote todsn and fromdsn clients requires that *IBM z/OS OpenSSH* be configured on z/OS. z/OS V2R2 and later includes OpenSSH. We provide a *Quick Install Guide* to help systems programmers quickly configure IBM z/OS OpenSSH.

D.2 Using the z/OS Unix Shell

The Dataset Pipes **todsn** and **fromdsn** commands may be used from any of the following z/OS Unix shell environments:

- The TSO "OMVS" command

- The **BPXBATCH** utility, running under MVS batch or TSO

    *Note:*The BPXBATCH enhancement **OA11699** significantly improves its usability.

- The z/OS Unix Shell under a telnet or ssh console.

For more information on z/OS Unix, see:

- *z/OS Unix System Services publications*

- *z/OS Unix System Services User's Guide*

D.3 The z/OS C library fopen() routine

The Dataset Pipes utilties open MVS datasets in "record mode" using the z/OS C library fopen() routine. For example:

```
fopen( name, mode);
```

where:

name
    either `"//'fully.qualified.dsn'"` or `"//dd:ddname"` depending on whether **BPXWDYN** allocation keywords were used (*Section D.4, "The z/OS BPXWDYN dynamic allocation service"*).

mode

  - `"rb,type=record,noseek"` - if reading (fromdsn)

  - `"wb,type=record,noseek"` - if writing (todsn)

  - `"ab,type=record,noseek"` - if appending (todsn -a)

Additional open mode options may be specifed by using the -o option.

The Dataset Pipes utilites read and write records using the z/OS C library `fread()` and `fwrite()` routines. For more information on the capabilities of record-mode dataset processing with the z/OS C library, see:

- *z/OS XL C/C++ publications*

- *z/OS XL C/C++ Runtime Library Reference*

- *z/OS XL C/C++ Programming Guide*. See Ch. 10 "Performing OS I/O operations.

D.4 The z/OS BPXWDYN dynamic allocation service

The Dataset Pipes utilities allow for flexible allocation of MVS Datasets through use of the **BPXWDYN** text-based allocation service. If you specify allocation keywords, either with the -x option, or by using the `allocKeywords` option, then a new system-assigned DDNAME will be allocated with BPXWDYN and that DDNAME will be opened with *Section D.3, "The z/OS C library fopen() routine"*fopen().

You may use any allocation keywords defined by BPXWDYN, except the following:

- `DA(), DSN(), FI(), DD(), MSG(), or REUSE()` (automatically supplied)

- `PATH() , PATHDISP(), PATHMODE(), PATHOPTS(), PATHPERM()`

- `RTDDN, RTDSN, RTVOL` (only works if called from REXX)

- `SYNTAX`

For more information on using BPXWDYN allocation keywords, see:

- *z/OS Using REXX and z/OS UNIX System Services*

D.5 The z/OS Unicode Translation Services

The Dataset Pipes utilities rely on the *z/OS Unicode Conversion Service* when possible, for codepage/character set translation.

This subsystem provides hardware-assisted high-performance codepage conversions services. This is the same service used by later versions of z/OS DB2, so many shops already have it configured in their environments. For z/OS 1.6 and later, the service is configured by default, with a starter set of codepage (CCSID) mappings.

For more information on configuring and customizing this subsystem:

- *z/OS Unicode Services User's Guide and Reference*

When Unicode Conversion Services are not available, Dataset Pipes falls back to **iconv** for codepage translation