



Db2 Archive Log Viewer™

for Db2 z/OS – Keep your log size under control

The Db2 Log is the central area where all data changes, plus a whole lot more, gets written away by Db2 as it does its normal regular business.

Most shops allocate several large VSAM datasets for ACTIVE LOGS (24 hours) which, when full, get written to ARCHIVE LOGS (30 days of coverage).

Any less and you seriously run into trouble. By breaking the 24 hours rule possible normal rollbacks might suddenly be requesting tape mounts. Breaking the 30 days rule might put you into a world of pain when datasets get migrated off and scratched in a recovery scenario. These logs must be looked after and cared for.

The business case of Db2 ARCHIVE LOG VIEWER (LGVW) is to read as many ARCHIVE LOGS as you can give it and report on the contents in absolute numbers and size.

The primary reason of this light-weight Db2 ARCHIVE LOG VIEWER is to give insight with a single and simple method and to get quantities and frequencies about the actual status of the Db2 systems without touching the productive ones.

Wouldn't it be great to peer inside the black box of the ARCHIVE LOGS and see what you can find out?

- 1) Aborts
- 2) Vast amount of spacemap updates
- 3) Far too many pointer records
- 4) Too many Index Page splits

The primary driver behind the creation of Db2 ARCHIVE LOG VIEWER (LGVW) was just a customer requirement to see inside the logs for usage statistics as there was no single, simple method of doing it that the customer could find anywhere.

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Regular Db2 Business golden rules:

24 hours Active Logs
30 days on Archive Logs

Business Case of

Db2 ARCHIVE LOG VIEWER:

Gives insight about quantities and frequencies

Actual status of any Db2 system

Does not interfere with production workload

Peer inside the black box of Archive Log datasets

LGVW is part of our Db2 z/OS HealthCheck Suite

BiF/ICI HealthCheck
Performance HealthCheck
Statistics HealthCheck
BufferPool HealthCheck
Migration HealthCheck

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