BMC is releasing version 12.1.00 of the SQL Performance for DB2 solution.

SQL Performance for DB2 includes the following products:

- Version 12.1.00 of APPTUNE for DB2
- Version 12.1.00 of SQL Explorer for DB2

**Note**

Before you begin installation, BMC recommends that you check the Support Central website at http://www.bmc.com/support for:

- Updated product documentation (for example, flashes and technical bulletins)
- Product downloads, patches, and fixes (PTFs)
- Product availability and compatibility data

These release notes supplement and supersede the product documentation and discuss product enhancements and resolved problems.

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What’s new

These topics describe the changes or new features in this release.

Installation System changes

Beginning with version 3.1.00 of the Installation System, new product releases necessitate a new Installation System FMID. Before installing any products, always ensure that you have the most recent version of the Installation System installed and that you have refreshed its runtime environment.

This change enables PTF maintenance for individual levels of the Installation System. The change also eliminates the requirement to provide the Installation Maintenance Value, which simplifies the installation process.

For more information, see the release notes for the most current version of the Installation System.

SQL Performance for DB2, version 12.1.00

These topics describe the changes or new features in this release of the SQL Performance for DB2 solution.

Support for IBM DB2 Version 12

This release adds support for DB2 Version 12.

This release supports:

■ DB2 Version 12
■ DB2 Version 11
■ DB2 Version 10 in new-function mode (NFM) only

Loading data into the Performance Advisor Database tables

The BMC Next Generation Technology Load for DB2 for z/OS (NGT Load) utility is now the default utility for loading data into the Performance Advisor Database tables if the PADB Starter JCL dialog finds the utility in your environment.
Adoption of new compiler

Performance Advisors, Common Explain, and SQL Explorer are now built with the IBM XL C compiler, which:
- Provides access to the Language Environment runtime routines that IBM z/OS offers
- Enables future improvements in scalability and environmental currency

APPTUNE for DB2, version 12.1.00

These topics describe the changes or new features in this release of the APPTUNE for DB2 product.

Support for IBM DB2 Version 12 batch and online detail reports

This release updates batch and online detail reports to include all of the latest metrics available as of DB2 Version 12.

Support for the latest DB2 Analytics Accelerator metrics

APPTUNE now processes DB2 Analytics Accelerator (DAA) cache information. A new Accelerator Cache Analysis report provides timings and measurements for SQL statement activity at the accelerator level.

New statistics are now available in all APPTUNE Workload Analysis reports in support of Accelerator Only Tables (AOTs). With this release, APPTUNE supports all levels of accelerator instrumentation through IBM APAR PI35818.

Commits and rollbacks

APPTUNE now collects statistics on commits and rollbacks.

Reporting by connection type

The APPTUNE product now tracks SQL activity by connection type. Updated reports and panels incorporate the new tracking feature.
**In-DB2 timings**

The APPTUNE for DB2 product now measures CPU time and elapsed time in DB2 in addition to CPU time and elapsed time in SQL.

**Reduced cost of monitoring consecutive fetches**

This release features improved processing of SQL FETCH statements. Because of this improvement, the Bypass Fetch Timings filter setting is no longer needed and has been removed.

**Adoption of new compiler**

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**Features no longer supported**

Version 12.1.00 of SQL Performance no longer supports the following features: DB2 status summary access and reports, and no longer supports exception-only roll-ups.

**Removal of DB2 Status summary access and reports from APPTUNE display dialogs**

Starting with version 12.1, APPTUNE does not display DB2 status summary access and reports. The MainView for DB2 product displays the status of DB2 subsystems and related metrics. The following table lists APPTUNE reports with their corresponding MainView for DB2 views.

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<td>SQMACDDDF</td>
<td>Current DDF activity by thread</td>
<td>EZDDDF menu, which provides access to current DDF threads, DDF statistics, active DDF connections, and DDF related ZPARMS</td>
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<td>SQMACDTL</td>
<td>Current thread detail analysis</td>
<td>DUSER detailed thread data</td>
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<td>SQMACLKH</td>
<td>Current holders of locked object</td>
<td>EZDLOCK DB2 locking menu</td>
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MainView for DB2 monitors and collects DB2 performance data from both subsystem and thread perspectives. The MainView for DB2 product offers the following features:

- Provides online real-time and historical DB2 activity and statistics detail
- Supports data sharing and parallel sysplex environments
- Provides detail data views from multiple DB2 subsystems on a single screen
- Lets you create custom exception thresholds and alarms for proactive DB2 subsystem monitoring

MainView for DB2 is integrated with MainView AutoOPERATOR for z/OS and other BMC DB2 products for the IBM DB2 environment.
Exception-only roll-ups

APPTUNE no longer supports exception-only roll-up processing as an APPTUNE filter option.

Future deprecation of PSSBLOAD and LOADxxx reports

BMC plans to deprecate the PSSBLOAD utility and the LOADxxx batch reports in the next release of APPTUNE. As an alternative, consider using the BMC Performance Advisor Database component. The Performance Advisor Database is part of the SQL Performance solution and the BMC Performance for DB2SQL solution.

SQL Explorer for DB2, version 12.1.00

These topics describe the changes or new features in this release of the SQL Explorer for DB2 product.

Support for Materialized Query Tables

The Migrate Access Path Statistics function now supports Materialized Query Tables (MQTs).

Adoption of new compiler

Performance Advisors, Common Explain, and SQL Explorer are now built with the IBM XL C compiler, which:

- Provides access to the Language Environment runtime routines that IBM z/OS offers
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Installation and maintenance

You install SQL Performance for DB2 by using the Installation System.
Installing the Installation System or a product

The Installation System is installed and maintained by using SMP/E. Installing the Installation System creates the required SMP/E environment. Use the following procedures to install the Installation System or products.

Before you begin

If you need more information, see these sources:

- For software, hardware, and other requirements, see the Installation System documentation.
- For information about installation changes, see the Installation System release notes.

If you prefer physical installation media instead of downloaded images, request physical media from your BMC sales representative. Contact information is available on the BMC website.

To install the Installation System

1. Review the most recent Installation System release notes on any product page from the A-Z Supported Product List on Support Central.


3. Click Installation System.

4. Click the method you want to use to obtain the Installation System, and follow the provided procedures.

   WARNING

   The Installation System must be installed into its own SMP/E zone. You should not install anything else into this zone.

To install a product

1. Ensure that you have the most recent version of the Installation System installed and that it has any required PTFs applied.

   To determine the most recent version number, see the most recent Installation System release notes on any product page from the A-Z Supported Product List on Support Central. To determine the version number of your current Installation System.
System, see the title line on the Installation System Main Menu. Required PTFs are announced in technical bulletins.

2 Start the Installation System.

3 Follow the on-screen prompts.
   For more information, see the Installation System documentation.

**Maintaining the Installation System or a product**

Use the following procedures to maintain the Installation System or products.

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**Note**

BMC provides fixes for SQL Performance for DB2 at the component level. To apply fixes for this solution, you must apply fixes for each component of the solution.

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**To maintain the Installation System**

1 Perform one of the following actions:
   - If you have the most recent version of the Installation System installed, apply any required PTFs.
   - Install the most recent version of the Installation System, and apply any required PTFs.

To determine the most recent version number, see the most recent Installation System release notes on any product page from the A-Z Supported Product List on Support Central. To determine the version number of your current Installation System, see the title line on the Installation System Main Menu. Required PTFs are announced in technical bulletins.

2 Refresh the Installation System runtime data sets by running the $205RTEC and $206RTEC jobs (in order).

3 Restart the Installation System.

**To maintain a product**

1 Check Support Central for product notices, such as technical bulletins about fixes and Recommended Service Level (RSL) availability.

2 Use BMC ISR (recommended) to obtain product PTFs and RSLs.

3 Run the $176APLF installation job to ensure that all required FMIDs are applied.
4 Apply the product maintenance to the product's SMP/E environment. For more information, see *Installation System Reference Manual*.

**FMID and version information**

SQL Performance *for DB2* uses version 3.1.00 (or more recent) of the Installation System.

*Note*

Always use the most recent version of the Installation System and ensure that it has any required PTFs applied.

To determine the most recent version number, see the most recent Installation System release notes on any product page from the A-Z Supported Product List on Support Central. To determine the version number of your current Installation System, see the title line on the Installation System Main Menu. Required PTFs are announced in technical bulletins.

Installation installs the following versions and SMP/E FMIDs:

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The preceding table contains the FMIDs for SQL Performance for DB2 only. You can also obtain product, solution, and component information (FMIDs, codes, and versions) in the following ways:

- View the generated installation JCL member $176APLF.
  To search the file, search on the word FORFMID.

- View one of the following reports:
  — Optimization products, common products, and common components
  — BMC products for IBM DB2
  — BMC products for IBM IMS
  — MainView products

To access the reports on Support Central, take the following steps:


2. Click Product codes and FMIDs.

3. Click one of the listed reports.

**Support status**

You can find the support status for specific product versions on the Support Central website. Selecting a product from the “A – Z Supported Product List” shows:

- All versions of the product and their current support levels (full or limited)
- Dates on which support ends

For more information about the latest support policies, see the Support Central website at http://www.bmc.com/support.

**Product documentation**
From the Support Central website (http://www.bmc.com/support), you can:

- Link to the BMC Documentation Center to browse documentation sets (http://www.bmc.com/available/documentation-center.html or, for secured documentation sets, http://www.bmc.com/available/documentation-center-secure.html)

- View Quick Course videos (short overviews of selected product concepts, tasks, or features), which are available from the following locations:
  - Documentation Center (primary center and secured center)
  - Support Central (at http://www.bmc.com/support/mainframe-demonstrations)
  - BMC Mainframe YouTube channel (https://www.youtube.com/user/BMCSoftwareMainframe)

- View individual product documents (books and notices) within the “A – Z Supported Product List” (https://webapps.bmc.com/support/faces/az/supportlisting.jsp)

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