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Preface

About This Documentation

This document explains how to install GemStone/S 64 Bit version 3.5.3 on a workstation running AIX on IBM RS/6000, and how to upgrade from previous GemStone/S 64 Bit versions.

Terminology Conventions

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Installing GemStone/S 64 Bit Version 3.5.3

This chapter describes the procedure for installing GemStone/S 64 Bit™ version 3.5.3. We recommend that you set up GemStone initially on a single machine, to ensure that all the pieces work together. At the end of this chapter, we suggest refinements you might want to make. Further setup to run a distributed system are described in the *System Administration Guide*. You will need to adjust the installation process to meet your specific needs.

If you are upgrading to this release from a previous version of GemStone/S 64 Bit, follow the instructions in the appropriate later chapter of this Installation Guide. These upgrade instructions will provide details on steps that need to be taken before and after the installation as described in this chapter.

Review the Installation Procedure

The following list summarizes the steps to install GemStone/S 64 Bit.

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Check the System Requirements

Before you install GemStone/S 64 Bit, ensure that the following system requirements are satisfied. Systems meeting these requirements are suitable for installing GemStone/S 64 Bit and beginning development, but additional system resources may be necessary to support large applications.

Platform

- ▶ IBM RS/6000 workstation running a POWER6, POWER7, or POWER8 processor.

RAM and Page space

- ▶ While small installations can run on systems with only a few GB of physical RAM, increasing RAM is important for GemStone performance.
- ▶ Total page space should be at least equal to the amount of RAM. We recommend installing twice as much page space as RAM.

Due to the way GemStone uses memory, systems with insufficient page space allocated have a risk of memory errors even if there is available RAM.

Disk space

- ▶ Space for the installed distribution files—you need approximately 450 MB for GemStone/S 64 Bit, and additional space for other products.
- ▶ Additional disk space as required for your repository.

The repository files should be located on a disk drive that does not contain page space. Use of multiple disk drives is advisable for servers.

Operating system

- ▶ AIX version 6.1, TL7 SP3, on POWER6
- ▶ AIX version 7.1, TL3 SP5, on POWER8
- ▶ AIX version 7.2, TL2 SP2, on POWER7

Debugger

- ▶ dbx

A C debugger allows C-level stack traces when a GemStone error occurs, or when using the **pstack** command. While not required for GemStone execution, it is strongly recommended that the debugger be installed.

C/C++ Compiler

- ▶ IBM XL C/C++ for AIX, V11.1

GemStone requires a C/C++ compiler only if you are developing C or C++ code for user actions or for a C or C++ application. This compiler is required only for development work, not for execution.

X Windows

An X Windows server allows you to use GemStone's graphical VSD application on AIX. Alternatively, GemStone statistical data may be viewed on Windows, by transferring the data files, or by mounting the file system on Windows. X Windows is not required for GemStone execution.

Configure the Operating System

1. File size and file descriptors

To use extents in the file system larger than 2 GB or to increase the number of file descriptors available, make these changes in `/etc/security/limits`:

```
Fsize = -1
nofiles = 2000
```

You must also have the Large File System enabled when creating a jfs file system using SMIT.

We recommend that you pregrow such extents to a size greater than 2 GB so any configuration difficulty is detected when the server is first started.

The default file descriptor limit of 1024 is adequate for up to about 500 GemStone users. Each user session requires two file descriptors, and others are needed for extents, transaction logs, and overhead. *Use caution and increase the default setting only when necessary because doing so can have system side effects.*

2. PAM

If you are using UNIX authentication for GemStone logins, or if you run NetLDI as root with `setuid` (i.e. not in guest mode), you must have PAM (Pluggable Authentication Module) configured on the server. You may include a specific GemStone authorization service name, or allow the default "other" authentication definitions to be used.

PAM authentication definitions are in `/etc/pam.conf`.

The specific GemStone service names are `gemstone.gem` for user authentication, and `gemstone.netldi` for a NetLDI running with authentication. The libraries that are specified in the stack depend on how you are configuring PAM to perform the authentication. AIX does not provide an LDAP module as part of the core.

For example, to allow GemStone UNIX authentication, which uses PAM, to authenticate via a custom LDAP module:

```
gemstone.gem  auth  required  /usr/lib/security/pam_ldap
```

For NetLDI running as root, to authenticate directly to the AIX security subsystem, use the following. This only applies for process running as root.

```
gemstone.netldi  auth  required  /usr/lib/security/pam_aix
```

If the following "other" stack is available in `/etc/pam.conf`, GemStone can use this to authenticate, via a custom LDAP module:

```
OTHER  auth  required  /usr/lib/security/pam_ldap
```

Consult your System Administrators for more information on how authentication is handled on your system.

3. Large Memory Pages

The default size for memory pages is 4K (small), and AIX also transparently supports 64K (medium) pages; AIX automatically adjusts between these two page sizes.

Current releases of AIX also support larger pages sizes, including 16MB (large) pages. If you have a large repository, using large pages may improve performance. To use large pages, you must configure AIX to allocate large pages, and configure GemStone to request large pages.

To configure GemStone to use Large Pages:

- a. Determine the number of huge pages that will be needed, based on your GemStone configuration. This is calculated by the utility **largememorypages**. This utility needs several details to compute the number of required pages: the shared page cache size, the maximum number of GemStone processes, and the number of shared counters. These can be provided by arguments or read from an existing configuration file.

```
largememorypages [-e path] [-z path] [-F cacheFrames | -M cacheKB]
                 [-P maxProcesses] [-C maxSharedCounters]
```

You may specify the required values using a valid configuration file. This is parsed as a Stone configuration file and the necessary values extracted.

-e path

specifies an executable config file (same as startstone -e).

-z path

specifies a system config file (same as startstone -z).

If a config file is not specified, then -M or -F and -P and -C are required. These arguments can be used in addition to the configuration file, in which case they override values set or computed in the configuration file:

-F cacheFrames

shared cache size expressed in 16 KB frames

-M cacheKB

shared cache size in bytes, with a optional units suffix.

-P maxProcesses

setting for SHR_PAGE_CACHE_NUM_PROCS

-C maxSharedCounters

setting for SHR_PAGE_CACHE_NUM_SHARED_COUNTERS.

The following example is for an (approximately) 20GB shared page cache, 200 processes, and 1900 shared counters, with 2 MB memory pages:

```
unix> largememorypages -P 200 -M 20GB -C 1900
Cache config is 1310720 pages = 20480 MB, total is 22064 MB,
overhead 7% of configured size
Large page size requested is: 16 MB.
Large page overhead: 4.80 MB
For 1310720 pages, 200 processes and 1900 shared counters, 10
pusherThreads
    required cache size is 23135780864 bytes.
Number of 16 MB large pages required: 1379
<with further update commands>
```

- b. Configure AIX to use large pages using the following commands, which are also output by **largememorypages**.

```
unix> vmo -r -o lgpg_regions=numPages -o lgpg_size=16777216
unix> vmo -p -o v_pinshm=1
```

After this has been executed, the bosboot command must be run to build a new kernel image, and the system must be rebooted

You can confirm large memory pages are available for use using `vmstat -l`.

- c. The UNIX user running the shared cache monitor must be given permission to use large memory pages.

```
chuser capabilities=CAP_BYPASS_RAC_VMM,CAP_PROPAGATE <user id>
```

Alternatively, you can run the SPC monitor process with an effective user ID of root:

```
chown root $GEMSTONE/sys/shrpcmonitor
chmod u+s $GEMSTONE/sys/shrpcmonitor
```

- d. Configure GemStone to request large pages by setting the configuration option `SHR_PAGE_CACHE_LARGE_MEMORY_PAGE_POLICY = 2`.

4. System clock

The system clock must be set to the correct time. When GemStone opens the repository at startup, it compares the current system time with the recorded checkpoint times as part of a consistency check. A system time earlier than the time at which the last checkpoint was written may be taken as an indication of corrupted data and prevent GemStone from starting. The time comparisons use GMT.

5. TCP keepalive option

GemStone processes ordinarily use the `TCP keepalive` option to determine how long they will wait after communications activity ceases unexpectedly. This setting can be useful for reaping stale RPC Gems, but the operating system default may not be appropriate for this purpose. For further information, refer to your operating system documentation.

Install the GemStone Server

Installing GemStone can be done as a regular user, but in order to set up shared security, some portions of the installation should be done when logged in as the root user. Other steps of the installation are done as the unix user who will be the GemStone administrative account.

In addition to the installation directory, these are the portions of the system that are affected by the installation of GemStone:

```
/dev/rhdisk*
```

Optional raw partitions for repository extents and transaction logs.

```
/etc/services
```

Internet services database, for NetLDI name lookup.

/opt/gemstone

Default location for server lock files, host name id file, and log files for GemStone network servers (NetLDIs). See the *System Administration Guide* for details.

1. Log in as the GemStone administrator to the machine on which you are installing GemStone. This part of the installation should **not** be done as root, to ensure all the files are not owned by root.

2. Determine that adequate page space is available.:

We recommend that you allow at least 10 LPs of page for running GemStone and an additional 10 LPs if you will be developing GemStone applications.

To determine the current size of the paging device(s), which is usually found on the root volume group, `rootvg`:

```
% /etc/lsvg rootvg -l
```

Paging devices are of TYPE `paging`, and the LPs column shows the size of each device. An LP is 4 MB.

Page space can be expanded dynamically (without rebooting) using SMIT.

3. Select the drive on which you will install the GemStone software, and the installation directory on this drive, *InstallDir*. Make this directory the current working directory.

We recommend that you avoid choosing either an NFS-mounted partition or one containing UNIX page space for the initial installation. Mounted partitions can result in executables running on the wrong machine and in file permission problems. Existence of page space on the same drive can dramatically slow GemStone disk accesses.

4. GemStone/S 64 Bit is provided as a `dmg` file with a name similar to `GemStone64Bit3.5.3-RISC6000.AIX.zip`. Move this distribution file to the directory location in which GemStone will be installed, *InstallDir*.
5. Unzip the distribution file using `unzip`.
6. The *InstallDir* now contains a GemStone directory with a name similar to `GemStone64Bit3.5.3-RISC6000.AIX`.

In addition to subdirectories, this directory also contains two text files: `PACKING`, which lists all of the GemStone files, and `version.txt`, which identifies this particular product and release of GemStone.

The GemStone server is now installed.

Set the Environment

Perform the following steps to properly configure the operating environment.

1. Set the environment variable `GEMSTONE`.
 - a. If more than one installation of any GemStone/S product resides on this machine, check for existing GemStone environment variables:

```
> env | grep GEM
```

All GemStone environment variables are displayed.

- b. If any environment variables exist and are not appropriate for the new installation, you must specifically unset each one. For example:
 - > `unset GEMSTONE GEMSTONE_SYS_CONF`
- c. Set the environment variable GEMSTONE to the *full pathname* (starting with a slash) of your new GemStone installation directory. For example:
 - > `export GEMSTONE=InstallDir/GemStone64Bit3.5.3-RISC6000.AIX`

Set the GemStone Key File

To run GemStone, you must have a key file for the correct version of GemStone/S 64 Bit and for the appropriate platform. The keyfile must be located where GemStone can find it on startup:

- ▶ A file specified by the KEYFILE configuration parameter in the configuration file used by the stone. This is not set by default, but may be defined to read a keyfile with any name in any location.
- ▶ `$GEMSTONE/sys/gemstone.key`

Licensed Customer key file

You may use a keyfile from any v3.5.x version with v3.5.3; keyfiles from 3.4.x and earlier are not valid with v3.5.3. If you are upgrading from v3.4.x or earlier, or you have questions about your keyfile or license limits, email keyfiles@gemtalksystems.com, or contact GemTalk Technical Support.

Installing a keyfile

To specify the location and name of the keyfile using the KEYFILE configuration parameter, edit the configuration file that will be used by the v3.5.3 stone to include the location and name of the keyfile.

You may also put the keyfile in the default location, `$GEMSTONE/sys/gemstone.key`. This requires modifying the write permissions of the `$GEMSTONE/sys` directory; ensure you change this back to not writable, after this update.

Verify TCP/IP

To run GemStone, TCP/IP must be functioning, even if your machine is not connected to a network.

Verify that TCP/IP networking software is functioning (1 is the number 1):

```
> /etc/ping hostname 8 1
```

where *hostname* is the name of your machine. If **ping** responds with statistics, TCP/IP is functioning.

Define the NetLDI Service

The NetLDI service, by default `gs64ldi`, can be defined in your system services database to return the NetLDI listening port. A NetLDI is required for some local and all remote sessions to log into GemStone, and it can be resolved by name or directly by port number. If you are defining NetLDI services by name, the same NetLDI service name and port number must be defined on the remote machines as on the Stone's node.

The following steps can be skipped if you will be using the NetLDI port rather than name. Using the port number requires that this same port be specified when the NetLDI is started up, and when sessions login. The details are described in the *System Administration Guide*.

If you are upgrading from a previous version, you may need to keep the NetLDI for that version running. In this case, select a distinct name and/or port for the NetLDI for GemStone/S 64 Bit 3.5.3.

1. Determine whether the `gs64ldi` service is already defined. How to do this will depend on how your system is set up. The GemStone distribution includes an executable that will allow you to do this:

```
unix> $GEMSTONE/install/getservbyname gs64ldi
s_name=gs64ldi s_port = 50377 s_proto = tcp
```

If `gs64ldi` is defined, skip the rest of this procedure and continue with the installation at "Run the Installation Script" on page 14.

If it is not defined, continue performing this procedure.

2. Add an entry similar to the following to the system services database:

```
gs64ldi 50377/tcp #GemStone/S 64 Bit 3.5.3
```

Choose a port number that is not being used by another service. The port number should be in the range 49152 <= port <= 65535, to conform to IANA standards (<http://www.iana.org/assignments/port-numbers>).

3. If several machines will be running GemStone, have the UNIX system administrator update the system services database for each machine. This includes Windows client machines as well as UNIX nodes. Note that the port number must be the same for every machine.

Run the Installation Script

The installation script verifies your environment, creates lock file directories, sets up the extent files, and can be used to configure certain types of security for multi-user systems. It is not required to run the installation script; however, if you are new to GemStone, or installing GemStone on a new server, running the install script is recommended.

1. Log in as root.

You can run the installation script as a non-root user, however, some options are not available as a non-root user. To ensure that the installation is successful, you must install as root. See the *System Administration Guide* for details on setting up GemStone server file security.

2. Invoke the installation script from the `install` subdirectory:

```
unix> cd $GEMSTONE/install
unix> ./installgs
```

`installgs` is an interactive script that analyzes your system configuration and makes suggestions to guide you through installing GemStone on your machine. You can run the script multiple times; it will skip completed tasks.

NOTE

You can usually terminate execution of the installation script with Ctrl-C without risk to your files. When it is not safe to do so, the message `Please do not interrupt` appears on the screen.

During installation, you are asked several questions. The entire installation dialog is not reproduced here, but the main points are addressed. Some questions may not be asked, depending on answers to previous questions.

Whenever you are asked to answer “yes” or “no,” answer with `y` or `n`. When the script offers a default answer in square brackets (such as “[`y`]”), press Enter to accept the default.

Set up directories for server lock files and NetLDI logs?

The default location for server lock files and NetLDI log files is `/opt/gemstone`, although `/usr/gemstone` may be used in legacy installations. A different location can be specified using the environment variable `GEMSTONE_GLOBAL_DIR`; however, all Gemstone processes that will interact on this machine must have this environment variable set to the same directory.

If the directory does not exist, the installation script offers to create `/opt/gemstone` and the subdirectories `locks` and `log`, and to set access (770) to these directories.

If you answer `no` to creating the directories, you must create them (or provide a symbolic link) before starting the server.

Set the owner and group for all the files in the distribution?

If you answer `yes`, the script will prompt you for the owner and group you want to use. Refer to Chapter 1 of the *System Administration Guide* for more information about setting owner and group permissions.

If you answer `no`, the permissions will remain the same as when the files were extracted from the distribution media.

Protect the repository file?

The default gives only the owner read and write access (600) through ordinary UNIX commands. Other users can read and write the repository through a GemStone session. If you choose not to protect the repository, the `setuid` bit is cleared from all executables, which causes them to run under ownership of the user who invokes them.

Default: Set the repository permission to 600, and leave the `setuid` bit applied.

Allow NetLDI to Run as Root?

The NetLDI is a network server that permits remote processes to interact with the repository. There are two ways to set up a NetLDI so that it can provide services to all GemStone users: it can run as root, or it can run in guest mode with a captive account.

- ▶ To run NetLDIs as root, accept the default “yes” response. Ownership of the NetLDI executable is changed to root, and the setuid bit is set. Any GemStone user will be able to start a NetLDI process that is accessible to all GemStone users because it will always run as root. For certain services, users will need to authenticate themselves by supplying a password.
- ▶ To run NetLDIs in guest mode with a captive account, answer “no” to the prompt, because those modes are not permitted if the NetLDI runs as root. “Guest mode” means that GemStone users do not have to supply a UNIX password to use NetLDI services. The “captive account” is an account that owns all processes the NetLDI starts; typically, it is the GemStone administrative account that owns the files. You must start the NetLDI while logged in as that account.

Default: Change ownership of the `netldi` executable to root, and set its setuid bit.

Set up an Extent?

GemStone is distributed with a read-only copy of the initial repository in `$GEMSTONE/bin/extent0.dbf`. Before you can start GemStone, this file must be copied to a suitable location and made writable. The script offers to copy the file to its default location of `$GEMSTONE/data`.

If you are a new GemStone user, we recommend that you answer `y`. If you are an existing GemStone user, you might prefer to answer `n`, then copy the extent to a different location yourself. (If you choose a location other than the default, you must edit your configuration file before starting GemStone. For information, see the *System Administration Guide*.)

Default: Place a writable copy of `extent0.dbf` in `$GEMSTONE/data`.

Start a NetLDI?

You can start a NetLDI that runs as root by answering `yes` to this prompt and the confirmation that follows.

However, if you want to start the NetLDI in guest mode with a captive account, you must do that after completing the installation. For more information about guest mode with captive account, see Chapter 3 of the *System Administration Guide*.

Default: Do not start a NetLDI at this time.

Start an Object Server?

As root, you cannot start an object server (Stone), but the script offers to start one as another user.

Default: Do not start an object server at this time.

3. Log out as root

After running `installgs`, log out as user root.

Further work is done as the GemStone administrative user.

Complete GemStone Configuration

The following should be done by an administrative user, not as root.

Change Passwords for Administrative Accounts

GemStone comes with a number of built-in System user accounts, which are needed to perform administrative operations (such as adding application user accounts).

- ▶ The **DataCurator** account is used to perform system administration tasks.
- ▶ The **SystemUser** account ordinarily is used only for performing GemStone system upgrades.
- ▶ The **GcUser** account is used by the garbage collection task, which runs automatically as a separate login.

The initial password for these administrative accounts is `swordfish`.

Access to each of these accounts should be restricted; you should always change the passwords for these accounts, to provide basic security for your application.

The chapter entitled “User Accounts and Security” in the *System Administration Guide* tells you how to change the passwords.

Add GemStone User Accounts

For each of the users in your system, you should establish GemStone accounts, which involves creating an individual UserProfile in GemStone.

The chapter entitled “User Accounts and Security” in the *System Administration Guide* provides information on how create accounts for GemStone users, and the options for authentication. This task can be done by executing Smalltalk code, or using GemBuilder for Smalltalk tools. See the *GemBuilder for Smalltalk Users's Guide* for information on the GUI tools in GemBuilder.

Users must set environment

After GemStone/S 64 Bit 3.5.3 has been installed, you should notify each person who will be using GemStone about the installation, and explain how to setup their environment.

Each user must:

- ▶ Set the environment variable `GEMSTONE` to the *full pathname* (starting with a slash) of the GemStone/S 64 Bit 3.5.3 directory.
- ▶ update their path to include the `$GEMSTONE/bin` directory.
- ▶ Optionally, update the man path (`MANPATH` variable) to include the `$GEMSTONE/doc` directory. GemStone provides man pages for utility functions.

These last two steps can be done using scripts that are part of the GemStone distribution. The directory `$GEMSTONE/bin` contains the files `gemsetup.sh` and `gemsetup.csh`,

which define the GemStone environment for users by modifying the `PATH` and `MANPATH` variables to include `$GEMSTONE/bin` and `$GEMSTONE/doc`, respectively.

For example:

```
unix> export GEMSTONE=installdir
unix> export PATH=$GEMSTONE/bin:$PATH
unix> export MANPATH=$MANPATH:$GEMSTONE/doc
```

If the user will use GemStone frequently, consider adding these steps to the login shell initialization file.

Install the default TimeZone

GemStone/S 64 Bit is shipped with a default time zone of US Pacific. If you are in another Time Zone, edit the file `installtimezone.txt` in the GemStone upgrade directory, then file it in as `SystemUser`.

Further Configuration and Administration

This chapter has guided you through installation of GemStone/S 64 Bit 3.5.3, with the objective of getting a simple, default configuration up and running.

The next chapters explain the process of upgrading a previous version of GemStone/S 64 Bit to version 3.5.3; and Chapter 4 provides information on GemBuilder for Smalltalk.

For more information and details on customizing your GemStone object server, Gem client processes, and setting up distributed configurations, see the *System Administration Guide*.

Upgrading from GemStone/S 64 Bit 3.3.x or later

This chapter describes how to upgrade an existing GemStone/S 64 Bit 3.3.x, 3.4.x, or 3.5.x installation to GemStone/S 64 Bit version 3.5.3.

For upgrading from GemStone/S 64 Bit versions 3.2.x, which require extra steps such as recompilation, see Chapter 3, starting on page 25.

To upgrade from GemStone/S 64 Bit version 3.1.x and earlier, you must first upgrade to a 3.3.x or 3.4.x version, and then upgrade to v3.5.3.

If you are using GemBuilder for Smalltalk (GBS), you also need to upgrade the client libraries that are used by GBS. You may also need to upgrade your version of GBS; versions of GBS earlier than 8.4 or 5.4.5 are not supported with v3.5.3. See Chapter 4 for details.

Keyfiles

You may use a keyfile from any v3.5.x version with v3.5.3. Keyfiles from 3.4.x and earlier are not valid with v3.5.3.

To acquire a keyfile for version 3.5.3, email keyfiles@gemtalksystems.com, or contact GemStone Technical Support, preferably providing your existing keyfile.

Keyfiles also manage access to GemConnect and GemBuilder for Java, and the recently introduced X509-Secured GemStone feature. If you are using these add-on products, you must use a keyfile with the appropriate permissions.

Upgrade Procedure

The following list summarizes the steps necessary to perform the upgrade to GemStone/S 64 Bit v3.5.3.

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NOTE

The following instructions use the version number 3.4.5 to refer to the version you are upgrading from, and 3.5.3 indicate the target version you are upgrading to.

Prior to Upgrade in existing application

1. Check for use of deprecated methods

Verify that your application does not invoke any methods that were deprecated in previous releases, by enabling error or logging on deprecation in your existing repository. Deprecated methods are subject to removal in major releases; finding them before upgrading allows the deprecation messages to provide replacement instructions.

For details on finding deprecated methods, refer to the *Programming Guide for GemStone/S 64 Bit*.

2. File out modifications to GemStone classes

File out any modifications or additions you made to GemStone/S 64 Bit kernel class methods. For more information about fileout, see the *GemStone/S 64 Bit Topaz Programming Environment*.

You will need to carefully compare these changes with GemStone/S 64 Bit 3.5.3 kernel methods, and refer to the *Release Notes* for version 3.5.3 to determine whether your changes are still necessary or appropriate.

CAUTION

Any changes that you have made to the GemStone/S 64 Bit kernel classes will be lost during upgrade; you MUST file these out in order to preserve the changes in version 3.5.3.

Prepare for Upgrade

1. Install and configure GemStone/S 64 Bit 3.5.3

Install GemStone/S 64 Bit 3.5.3 to a new installation directory, separate from the installation directory for version 3.4.5, as described in Chapter 1, starting on page 7.

Configure GemStone/S 64 Bit 3.5.3 the way you expect to use it — that is, with the appropriate extent locations and sizes.

If you copy the configuration files from your previous version to the version 3.5.3, be sure to review any changes in configuration parameters to determine if changes are needed.

You should ensure that adequate space is available for extents, transaction logs, and a backup during the upgrade. You must provide space for the extents and transaction logs for both repositories, the old and the new.

2. Reset SystemUser password

Log in to the version 3.4.5 system as a user with OtherPassword privilege, such as DataCurator, and reset the SystemUser password to 'swordfish':

```
topaz 1> run
(AllUsers userWithId: #SystemUser) password: 'swordfish' .
System commitTransaction.
%
```

The upgrade script logs in with the SystemUser account and the default password, and resets the password for DataCurator and GcUser.

3. Stop user activity

Log in to the version 3.4.5 system as a user with SessionAccess and SystemControl privileges, such as DataCurator, and halt all user activity on the repository.

```
topaz 1> run
System stopUserSessions.
%
```

4. Shut down the repository

You may now shut down the Stone. At the UNIX command line:

```
unix> stopstone stone345
```

where *stone345* is the name of the version 3.4.5 stone on this machine. The repository must be cleanly shut down to avoid needing recovery when it is restarted with the new version's executables.

5. Set up the version 3.5.3 environment.

Set the environment variables required for the upgrade. For example:

```
export GEMSTONE=InstallDir353
export PATH=$GEMSTONE/bin:$PATH
export upgradeLogDir=tempDir
```

where *InstallDir353* is the GemStone/S 64 Bit version 3.5.3 installation and *tempDir* is a temporary directory for which you have write permission.

6. Copy extent files

Copy your version 3.4.5 extent files into the location specified by the v3.5.3 configuration file option DBF_EXTENT_NAMES:

- a. Identify the complete set of extent files that are used by your 3.4.5 stone. This can be found by examining the configuration file for the version 3.4.5 repository, looking for the last entry for DBF_EXTENT_NAMES.

- b. The target location is the setting for `DBF_EXTENT_NAMES` in the version 3.5.3 installation. Copy each of these extent files to the target location.

For example:

```
cp InstallDir345/data/extent0.dbf InstallDir353/data
cp InstallDir345/data/extent1.dbf InstallDir353/data
cp InstallDir345/data/extent2.dbf InstallDir353/data
```

Before upgrading, ensure that there are no transaction logs from a previous version of GemStone/S 64 Bit in any of the transaction log locations specified in the configuration file that will be used by version 3.5.3.

Perform the Upgrade

1. Start the Stone

Start the 3.5.3 Stone on the 3.4.5 extents you just copied:

```
unix> startstone stoneName353
```

2. Upgrade image

Ensure you are in a directory to which you have write permission, and run the upgrade script.

The upgrade is performed by the script `upgradeImage`. This script has optional switches to specify the stone name and to set to size of the `GEM_TEMPOBJ_CACHE_SIZE` used for the upgrade process.

```
upgradeImage [-h] [-c cacheSize] [-s stoneName]
```

-h prints this usage information.

-c *cacheSize* sets the size of the `GEM_TEMPOBJ_CACHE_SIZE`; if this is not used, the script will default to use a value of 100000.

-s *stoneName* sets the name of the running stone to upgrade; if this option is not used, the script will default to **gs64stone**.

For example,

```
unix> upgradeImage -s stoneName353
```

The script will prompt you to press the return key to begin.

The script invokes subordinate scripts to complete the upgrade. The upgrade process will take some time. You can examine the progress, if desired, by examining the file `$upgradeLogDir/upgradeImage.out`.

The script should complete with the message:

```
Upgrade completed. No errors detected.
```

If not, please preserve the Stone log file and the contents of `$upgradeLogDir`.

Contact your internal GemStone support person or GemStone Technical Support.

3. Restore System Account passwords

Log in to GemStone/S 64 Bit version 3.5.3 as DataCurator or SystemUser, and change the password for SystemUser, DataCurator, and GcUser to a secure password, such as the passwords used for these accounts in v3.4.5. For example:

```
topaz 1> run
(AllUsers userWithId: 'SystemUser') password: '345Password'.
(AllUsers userWithId: 'GcUser') password: '345Password'.
(AllUsers userWithId: 'DataCurator') password: '345Password'.
System commitTransaction
%
```

where *345Password* is the account password used in version 3.4.5.

Post-upgrade Application Code Modifications

1. Reinstall any other GemStone products that modify kernel classes.

If you use GemConnect or GemBuilder for Java, you must reinstall the appropriate version of these products into your repository at this time.

To install, use the procedure in the *Installation Guide* for that product.

2. File in Kernel class changes

If you have modified any kernel class methods of the previous version or if you have added methods to kernel classes, carefully compare your changes with the changes in version 3.5.3 to see whether your changes are still necessary or appropriate. Review the *Release Notes* for each intervening version, as well as examining code in the image.

If the kernel class changes are still applicable, file in the changes, verify that errorcount is 0, and commit.

Make Backup

1. Make backup

At this point, you should create a full backup of the upgraded repository.

Configure GCI clients and GBS

1. Recompile User Actions

It is recommended to recompile and relink all User Actions and GCI Applications.

2. Configure GBS

If you are using GBS clients, ensure you are running a supported version of GBS and client Smalltalk. You must use GBS version 8.4 or later for VW, or GBS 5.4.5 or later for VA, to connect to a GemStone/S 64 Bit v3.5.3 repository.

Configure GBS to use the version 3.5.3 client libraries. Depending on the GBS version you are upgrading from, the required libraries, library naming conventions, and the process GBS uses to identify the correct library to load may have changed.

See Chapter 4, 'Configuring GBS for GemStone/S 64 Bit' for details. If your GBS clients run on a different platform than your GemStone server, refer to the *Installation Guide* for that platform.

Upgrading from 3.2x

This chapter describes how to upgrade an existing GemStone/S 64 Bit 3.2.x installation to GemStone/S 64 Bit version 3.5.3. If you are upgrading from version 3.3.x or later, which do not require recompile, see Chapter 2 on page 19. Upgrading from earlier versions requires an intermediate upgrade to version 3.2.x or preferably a later version.

The compiled method bytecodes changed between v3.2 and v3.3, and the upgrade process requires that you file in all application source code so it can be recompiled, and recompile all persistent blocks. Alternatively, you may iterate and recompile all methods in your application.

If you are using GemBuilder for Smalltalk (GBS) or other clients-only nodes in your configuration, you also need to upgrade the client libraries on that node.

You also need to upgrade your version of GBS; versions of GBS earlier than 8.4 or 5.4.5 are not supported with v3.5.3. See Chapter 4 for supported versions of GBS for use with GemStone/S 64 Bit 3.5.3, and instructions on installing updated client libraries.

Keyfiles

New keyfiles are required with GemStone/S 64 Bit version 3.5.3; keyfiles from 3.4.x and earlier are not valid with v3.5.3. To acquire a keyfile for version 3.5.3, email keyfiles@gemtalksystems.com, or contact GemStone Technical Support, preferably providing your existing keyfile.

Keyfiles also manage access to GemConnect and GemBuilder for Java, and the new X509-Secured GemStone feature. If you are using these add-on products, you must use a keyfile with the appropriate permissions.

Upgrade Procedure

The following list summarizes the steps necessary to perform the upgrade to GemStone/S 64 Bit version 3.5.3.

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NOTE

The following instructions use the version number 3.2.16 to refer to the version you are upgrading from, and version number 3.5.3 indicate the target version you are upgrading to. The process is the same when upgrading from any 3.x repository, and upgrading to any 3.2.x versions for which this Installation Guide applies.

Prior to Upgrade in existing application

1. Check for use of deprecated methods

Verify that your application does not invoke any methods that were deprecated in previous releases, by enabling error or logging on deprecation in your existing repository. Deprecated methods are subject to removal in major releases; finding them before upgrading allows the deprecation messages to provide replacement instructions.

For details on finding deprecated methods, refer to the *Programming Guide for GemStone/S 64 Bit*.

2. File out your application code

If you do not already have source code for your application stored externally to the GemStone repository in a code management system, it is recommended to file out all application source code. Filein of application code is used to recompile all methods. You may also write code to manually recompile methods in all classes; see “Recompile application code” on page 29 for details.

You should confirm that the format of your filed out code does not create new versions of your application classes on filein.

GemStone supports multiple versions of the same class, but tools operate on the most recent version of the classes. If you have instance of older versions of your applications classes that have not been migrated to the latest version, these class versions will not be upgraded by filein. We recommend that you migrate all instances to the most recent version of your application classes.

3. File out modifications to GemStone classes

File out any modifications or additions you made to GemStone/S 64 Bit kernel class methods. For more information about fileout, see the *GemStone/S 64 Bit Topaz Programming Environment*.

You will need to carefully compare these changes with GemStone/S 64 Bit 3.5.3 kernel methods, and refer to the *Release Notes* for version 3.3 and all release notes after the version you are upgrading from, to determine whether your changes are still necessary or appropriate. For a listing of Release Notes, see [GemStone/S 64 Bit Release History](#).

CAUTION

Any changes that you have made to the GemStone/S 64 Bit kernel classes will be lost during upgrade; you MUST file these out in order to preserve the changes in version 3.5.3.

Prepare for Upgrade

1. Install and configure GemStone/S 64 Bit 3.5.3

Install GemStone/S 64 Bit 3.5.3 to a new installation directory, separate from the installation directory for version 3.2.16, as described in Chapter 1, starting on page 7. Configure GemStone/S 64 Bit 3.5.3 the way you expect to use it – that is, with the appropriate extent locations and sizes.

If you copy the configuration files from your previous version to the version 3.5.3, be sure to review any changes in configuration parameters to determine if changes are needed.

You should ensure that adequate space is available for extents, transaction logs, and a backup during the upgrade. You must provide space for the extents and transaction logs for both repositories, the old and the new.

2. Reset SystemUser password

Log in to the version 3.2.16 system as a user with OtherPassword privilege, such as DataCurator, and reset the SystemUser password to 'swordfish':

```
topaz 1> printit
(AllUsers userWithId: #SystemUser) password: 'swordfish'.
System commitTransaction.
%
```

The upgrade script logs in with the SystemUser account and the default password, and resets the password for DataCurator and GcUser.

3. Stop user activity

Log in to the version 3.2.16 system as a user with SessionAccess and SystemControl privileges, such as DataCurator, and halt all user activity on the repository.

```
topaz 1> printit
System stopUserSessions.
%
```

4. Shut down the repository

You may now shut down the Stone. The repository must be cleanly shut down to avoid needing recovery when it is restarted with the new version's executables. For example:

```
% stopstone stone3216
```

where *stone3216* is the name of the version 3.2.16 stone on this machine.

5. Set environment variables for version 3.5.3

Set the environment variables required for the upgrade.

```
> export GEMSTONE=InstallDir353
> export PATH=$GEMSTONE/bin:$PATH
> export upgradeLogDir=tempDir
```

where *InstallDir353* is the GemStone/S 64 Bit version 3.5.3 installation and *tempDir* is a temporary directory for which you have write permission.

NOTE

Use a separate log directory for each repository you convert.

6. Copy extent files

Copy your version 3.2.16 extent files into the location specified by the v3.5.3 configuration file option `DBF_EXTENT_NAMES`:

- Identify the complete set of extent files that are used by your 3.2.16 stone. This can be found by examining the configuration file for the version 3.2.16 repository, looking for the last entry for `DBF_EXTENT_NAMES`.
- The target location is the setting for `DBF_EXTENT_NAMES` in the version 3.5.3 installation. Copy each of these extent files to the target location.

For example:

```
> cp InstallDir3216/data/extent0.dbf InstallDir353/data
> cp InstallDir3216/data/extent1.dbf InstallDir353/data
> cp InstallDir3216/data/extent2.dbf InstallDir353/data
```

Before upgrading, ensure that there are no transaction logs from a previous version of GemStone/S 64 Bit in any of the transaction log locations specified in the configuration file that will be used by version 3.5.3.

Perform the Upgrade

1. Start the Stone

Start the 3.5.3 Stone on the 3.2.16 extents you just copied:

```
% startstone stoneName353
```

2. Upgrade image

Ensure you are in a directory to which you have write permission, and run the upgrade script.

The upgrade is performed by the script `upgradeImage`. This script has optional switches to specify the stone name and to set to size of the `GEM_TEMPOBJ_CACHE_SIZE` used for the upgrade process.

```
upgradeImage [-h] [-c cacheSize] [-s stoneName]
```

`-h` prints this usage information.

`-c cacheSize` sets the size of the `GEM_TEMPOBJ_CACHE_SIZE`; if this is not used, the script will default to use a value of 100000.

`-s stoneName` sets the name of the running stone to upgrade; if this option is not used, the script will default to `gs64stone`.

For example,

```
% upgradeImage -s stoneName353
```

The script will prompt you to press the return key to begin.

The script invokes subordinate scripts to complete the upgrade. The upgrade process will take some time. You can examine the progress, if desired, by examining the file `$upgradeLogDir/upgradeImage.out`.

The script should complete with the message:

```
Upgrade completed. No errors detected.
```

If not, please preserve the Stone log file and the contents of `$upgradeLogDir`. Contact your internal GemStone support person or GemStone Technical Support.

3. Restore System Account passwords

Log in to GemStone/S 64 Bit version 3.5.3 as DataCurator or SystemUser, and change the password for SystemUser, DataCurator, and GcUser to a secure password, such as the passwords used for these accounts in v3.2.16. For example:

```
topaz 1> printit
(AllUsers userWithId: 'SystemUser') password: '3216Password'.
(AllUsers userWithId: 'GcUser') password: '3216Password'.
(AllUsers userWithId: 'DataCurator') password: '3216Password'.
System commitTransaction
%
```

where `3216Password` is the account password used in version 3.2.16.

Post-upgrade Application Code Modifications

1. Reinstall any other GemStone products that modify kernel classes.

If you use GemConnect or GemBuilder for Java, you must reinstall the appropriate version of these products into your repository at this time.

To install, use the procedure in the *Installation Guide* for that product.

2. File in Kernel class changes

If you have modified any kernel class methods of the previous version or if you have added methods to kernel classes, compare your changes with the changes in version 3.5.3 to see whether your changes are still necessary or appropriate. Carefully review the *Release Notes* for each intervening version, as well as examining code in the image.

If the kernel class changes are still applicable, file in the changes, verify that errorcount is 0, and commit.

3. Recompile application code

The upgrade process requires all executable methods to be recompiled. You should have fileins available, from Step 2. on page 26. Alternatively, you may iterate classes in your image and recompile each one. If you are reusing scripts that managed recompile

for the 2.x conversion, verify that the configuration parameter `GemConvertArrayBuilder` is not set.

a. Recompile by filein

File in all development and application code. Verify that errorcount is 0, and commit.

If you have instances of previous versions of classes, these old class versions will not be recompiled by this process. You should ensure that all application instances are migrated to current class versions before conversion, or manually recompile instances of older class versions.

b. Recompile within image

To recompile classes without filein, for each class in your repository execute

```
Class recompileAllMethods
```

You should ensure that you do not miss any classes. If you have instance of older versions of your classes, you will need to recompile methods on these older versions. For example:

```
class classHistory do: [:aClassVersion |
    aClassVersion recompileAllMethods]
```

Recompile is required for 3.2.x methods to be executable in v3.5.3. Attempting to execute methods that have not been recompiled will result in errors.

4. Recompile source code in persistent blocks

The compiled code in persistent blocks also requires recompile before it can be executed. All persistent executable blocks will need to be recompiled as part of upgrading.

c. Application-specific stored blocks

If your application stores persistent blocks, you will have to locate and recompile all such blocks before they can be executed.

d. SortBlocks in SortedCollections

To recompile the sortBlocks in persistent SortedCollections in your application, you may run the `postconv` script. This script only converts simple blocks; if your SortedCollection blocks are not simple (such as referring to method context), they cannot be automatically recompiled.

```
postconv [-c <numCacheWarmerGems>][-h][-s <stoneName>] [-r]
[-n <numberOfSessions>] [-t <tempObjCacheSize>] [-u <userId>]
```

`-c <numCacheWarmerGems>` specifies the number of cache warmer threads in a single gem to load the object table into the shared cache before starting post-conversion. If not specified, no cache warming is done.

`-h` prints this usage information.

`-s <stoneName>` sets the name of the running stone to scan; if this option is not used, the script uses `gs64stone`.

`-n <numberOfSessions>` specifies the number of parallel sessions which will convert the instances of SortedCollection and its subclasses. By default, use one session.

`-r` specifies to reuse an existing version of

\$upgradeLogDir/AllSortedCollections.bms, if it exists. This file contains the OOPs of all instances of SortedCollections and its subclasses. By default, the existing file is deleted and a new one created.

-t <tempObjCacheSize> sets the size of GEM_TEMPOBJ_CACHE_SIZE in KB; by default, 20000.

-u <userId> is the UserId whose SymbolList includes all subclasses of SortedCollection, for which instance's sortBlocks will be converted. If not specified, defaults to SystemUser

For example,

```
% postconv -s stoneName353
```

The postconv script will write progress messages to stdout. When it completes, it will report:

```
postconv[INFO]: Congratulations! NNN SortedCollections were
successfully converted. No errors were detected.
```

If postconv reports errors, the results include information on the specific sortBlocks that failed recompile, such as those for complex sort blocks. These will need manual repair. Contact GemTalk Technical Support for assistance.

5. Resort for ICU-based collation

If the repository has been progressively upgraded through any 3.1.x version, and contains data structures that were built in v3.1.x that depend on ICU collation order or encoding (that is, they involve Unicode strings, or traditional strings if the repository is in Unicode Comparison Mode, then these collections need to be sorted and indexes rebuilt to avoid the (small) risk of lookup failures. If resort/rebuild has been done in 3.2.x or 3.3.x it does not need to be done again.

The ICU libraries that provide Unicode based collation are versioned as the Unicode standard changes. Since most changes in the standard are not important for most applications, by default applications continue to use their original version of ICU library (either the version in which the repository originated, or as determined during upgrade). However, 3.1.x applications used a much older ICU version and cannot be handled automatically.

The version of the ICU shared libraries that will be loaded by session is defined by the global IcuLibraryVersion. The IcuLibraryVersion after upgrade will be the same as an existing value of IcuLibraryVersion before upgrade, and if that key is not present, it is determined based on the originating GemStone version. Details may be in the log file for the SymbolGem for the upgrade.

6. Regenerate cached instances of PetitParser classes

Instance of PetitParser classes (classes with names that begin with PP) are not automatically converted to the new class versions. If you are upgrading from v3.2x and using PetitParser classes directly, and you have persistent instances, you should regenerate these instances.

Make Backup

1. Make backup

At this point, you should create a full backup of the upgraded repository.

Configure GCI clients and GBS

1. Recompile User Actions

User Actions and GCI Applications will need to be recompiled and relinked.

2. Configure GBS

If you are using GBS clients, ensure you are running a supported version of GBS and client Smalltalk. You must use GBS version 8.4 or later for VW, or GBS 5.4.5 or later for VA, to connect to a GemStone/S 64 Bit v3.5.3 repository.

Configure GBS to use the version 3.5.3 client libraries. Depending on the GBS version you are upgrading from, the required libraries, library naming conventions, and the process GBS uses to identify the correct library to load may have changed.

See Chapter 4, 'Configuring GBS for GemStone/S 64 Bit' for details. If your GBS clients run on a different platform than your GemStone server, refer to the *Installation Guide* for that platform.

Configuring GBS for GemStone/S 64 Bit

The GemStone/S 64 Bit v3.5.3 server requires a compatible version of GBS; versions of GBS earlier than 8.4 are not supported with GemStone/S 64 Bit v3.5.3 or later.

Versions of GemBuilder for Smalltalk (GBS) that are compatible with GemStone/S 64 Bit v3.5.3 do not support Smalltalk client applications running on Solaris, AIX, or Macintosh.

GemStone/S 64 Bit v3.5.3 supports client Smalltalk/GBS applications running with VisualWorks on Linux and Windows, and with VA Smalltalk running on Windows. For a table of all supported GBS and client Smalltalk platforms, see the *GemStone/S 64 Bit Release Notes* for v3.5.3.

For instructions for updating GBS clients that are running on Linux, see the *GemStone/S 64 Bit Installation Guide* for that platform; for GBS clients running on Windows, see the *GemStone/S 64 Bit Windows Client Installation Guide*.