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## Identification

Return a segment to CTSS from a 6.36 execution activity write\_seg J. M. Grochow

## Purpose

It is often desirable to retrieve segments created during a 6.36 execution activity. write\_seg provides a simple interface between an EPL program and 6.36 pseudo-process output routines.

## Usage

write\_seg has 3 entry points. Their usage is as follows:

call write\_seg\$init;

This call should only be made once and should precede any other calls to write\_seg.

call write\_seg\$write (segname, write\_name, status\_ptr);

where segname= character string representation of segment
 to be written

dcl segname char(\*);

write\_name=6 character (or less) name of file to be returned to CTSS

dcl write\_name char(\*);

status\_ptr=pointer to seg\_util-like status array
(see BY.2.12).

dcl status\_ptr ptr;

This cail should be made once for each segment to be written (text, link, and symbol sections are written at each call).

call write\_seg\$final;

This call should be made only after all segments have been written by calls to write\_seg\$write.

In order for files to be returned to CTSS, it is necessary to specifically request their return by inclusion of the following card in the GECOS file used for that run:

FETCH write\_name TL

where write\_name is the same as above except that "\_" (underscore) has been changed to "-" (hyphen).

Segments thus written may also be punched by including the following card in the GECOS file:

DECK write\_name

## Implementation

write\_seg\$init and write\_seg\$final simply make appropriate calls to pseudo\_process\_io and pseudo\_process\_section\_output.

write seg\$write will first change any "\_" in write\_name to "-". It will then check the segment pointers in the status array pointed to by status\_ptr. Text, link and symbol segments will be written by calls to pseudo\_process\_ section\_output if their corresponding pointers are non-null. A word count is determined by dividing the bit\_count in the status array by 36.