

BIM-EDIT

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BIM-EDIT replaces IBM's ICCF program editor system, providing a much easier-to-use editor, tighter source control, a more flexible and straightforward security system, significantly better performance, more flexible operations, and a more powerful, yet simpler-to-use procedure processor.

- BIM-EDIT's library security system is straightforward, offering six access levels and any number of user/library security relationships
- Consumes significantly fewer CPU cycles than ICCF with a lower virtual storage requirement
- Allows any number of libraries to be defined and any number of members in a library, without loss of efficiency
- When you are logged on through CICS, BIM-EDIT allows you to START, XCTL, or LINK to other CICS programs, and you can log off anytime, even when you're editing a member
- Supports 3270 CRT models two, three, four, and five, and permits lines up to 253 characters long (ICCF lines are always 80 characters long)
- BIM-EDIT also offers a full-function internal mail system, allowing either full documents or single-line messages to be sent from one user to another
- BIM-EDIT provides source control with multiple facilities, including
 - ✓ Check-in/check-out control
 - ✓ Member auditing
 - ✓ Member stamping
 - ✓ Purge control
- Edits a work copy of a member, never the permanent copy. The work copy becomes a permanent copy only when the SAVE command is issued. If an inadvertent error is made, the command END NOSAVE ends the edit session without affecting the permanent copy.
- Provides a useful function list feature and easy-to-use LP sessions while maintaining all groups and sessions on a circular chain



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- Features a split-screen facility so that two different session types can be displayed on the screen
- Always stores text in a compressed format, and always compresses outbound screen data to the maximum possible extent
- ICCF distinguishes between procedures and macros, each with its own set of rules and constraints—BIM-EDIT makes no such distinction, a simplification in itself
- BIM-EDIT can be accessed through
 - ✓ One or multiple CICSs
 - ✓ VTAM directly
 - ✓ A batch utility job stream
 - ✓ The system console
 - ✓ A TCP/IP FTP interface
 - ✓ A BIM-FAQS product
 - ✓ A user-written program calling BIM-EDIT interface routines
- Provides fast, automatic recovery after computer or other failure, and allows round-the-clock update access to its library, even while it is being backed up