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What's New in z/OS (and not so new) Session 11718



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z/OS Release Directions Summary*

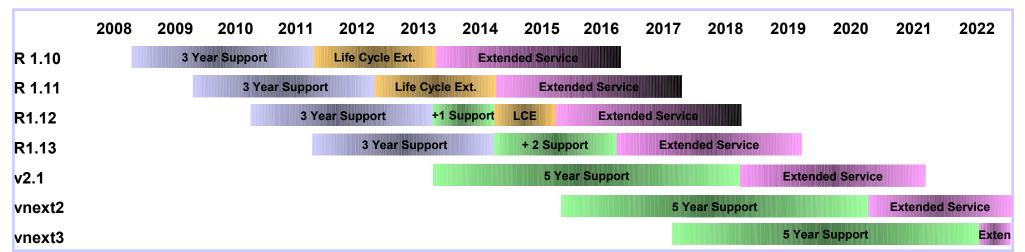
Shift z/OS to a 2 year release cycle

- Better aligns with client needs and trends
- Opportunity for us to put more complete function in a release



Version 2.1 targeted to deliver in 2H2013

- Release delivery cycle is planned to be every 2 years, in the second half of that year.
- Will continue to deliver key hardware support & updates in between releases
- Maintain N-2 release migration (accommodate a 2 or 4 year migration cycle)
- 5 Year Support with optional fee based service extension to accommodate migration
- z/OSMF planned to be on the same release and service cycle
- Minimum supported HW levels (z9 server or later, and 3990-3 disk controller or later)
- R12 Support extended to 4 years, R13 Support extended to 5 years; bridges v2 migrations



See Statement Of Direction from April 11, 2012

z/OS Support Summary*



Migrating to z/OS 1.13:

Parts 1 & 2

Thursday 9:30 & 11:00

^{1.} Fee-based service extension available

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^{3.} Fee-based service extension required for support, or for some features

IBM zEnterprise 196 (z196) System Functions and Features

Five hardware models

Quad-core 5.2 GHz processor chips

Up to 80 processors configurable as CPs, zAAPs, zIIPs, IFLs, ICFs, or optional SAPs (up to 32-way on R7, 64-way on R9, 80-way on R11)

Out of order instruction execution

Improved processor cache design

Up to 15 subcapacity CPs at capacity settings 4, 5, or 6

Up to 3TB real memory (1TB per LPAR)

Improved availability with Redundant Array of Independent Memory (RAIM)

Power save functions

On Demand enhancements

IBM zEnterprise Unified Resource Manager (from HMC)

New and enhanced instructions

Changes to the Common Cryptographic Architecture, Crypto Express3, and Trusted Key Entry

IPL from an alternate subchannel set

PCIe-based I/O infrastructure – FICON Express8S and OSA Express4S

Large send for IPv6 packets

Original z/OS support in blue

September 2011 z/OS support in red



z196 zBX

IBM VP Greg Lotko:zEnterprise Update and Positioning with PureSystems Tuesday 11:00 Capacity Provisioning enhanced

6.0 GB/sec InfiniBand® I/O interrupt

Three subchannel sets per LCSS

FICON® Discovery and AutoConfiguration (zDAC)

OSA-Express3 Inbound Workload Queueing (IWQ)

IWQ for Enterprise Extender

OSA-Express4S checksum offload for IPv6 and for LPAR to LPAR traffic (both IPv4 and IPv6)

CFCC Level 17 enhancements

Up to 80 External Coupling Link Ports

Up to 128 Coupling Link CHPIDs Defined

Optional water cooling

Optional High Voltage DC power

Optional overhead I/O cable exit

Support for OSX and OSM CHPIDs

zBX-002 IBM Smart Analytics Optimizer

zBX-002 select POWER7® and IBM System x Blades

zBX-002 IBM WebSphere® DataPower® Integration Appliance X150 for zEnterprise

HiperSockets™ optimization for intraensemble data networks

Another Brief History of Time*, or...

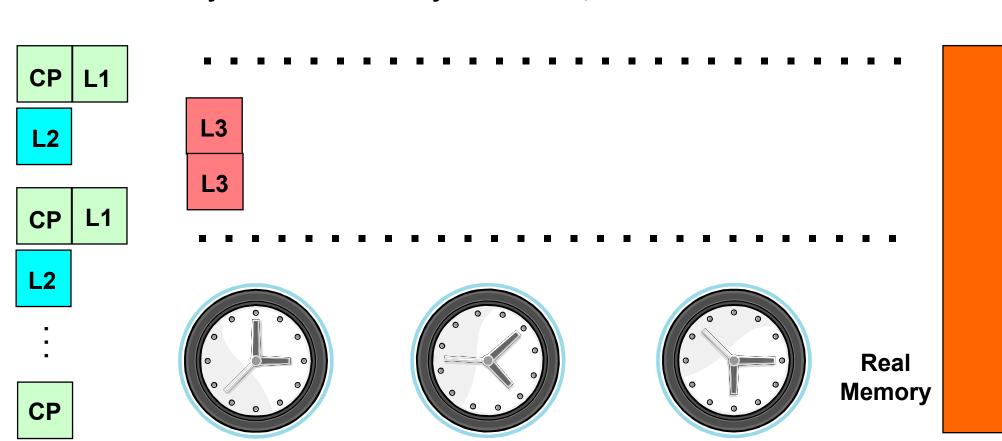
...more multi-release rollouts that deserve another look

* With further apologies to Stephen Hawking

Have I lost my memory, or what?

- Processor speeds have improved substantially over time:
 - > 80ns machine cycle time for the 3168-3 in the 1970's
 - ▶ 192**p**s for the z196 today
- \triangleright CPU speed > 400 times faster from 3168-3 to z196
 - Memory speeds, not so much:
 - ➤ 480ns worst-case access time on the 3168-3 (6 machine cycles) vs. ~120ns <u>local book</u> access time on a z196 (~650 machine cycles)
- ► Memory is about 4 times faster from 3168-3 to z196
 - In relative terms, memory access is 100x costlier now!
 - This is <u>not</u> "just an IBM problem!" Memory speeds are more-or-less comparable across the industry.

- Cache and memory latency on a hypothetical server
 - ▶ L1 Cache same machine cycle Anaheim, CA 0 miles
 - ▶ L2 Cache 4 machine cycles El Dorado Park—4 miles
 - Local L3 Cache variable, 100+ machine cycles Tijuana MX—112 miles
 - ➤ Remote L3 Cache variable, 200+ machine cycles Fresno, CA 245 miles
 - ➤ Real memory ~ 850 machine cycles Boise, ID—860 miles



Bigger Pages are (Often) Better

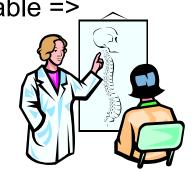
- What's a TLB?
 - ➤ Translation Lookaside Buffer, actually a 2-level cache in recent designs, split between data and instructions
 - Simple tables: Virtual addresses mapped to real addresses
 - Virtual addresses found in the TLB need not be translated to real addresses during instruction execution, which saves time
- System z engineers maniacally balance every aspect of chip design, but they can't have everything...
 - ➤ One consequence is that the TLB-size-to-memory ratio has shrunk considerably; for 4K pages:
 - 3168-3 had 128 TLB entries per CPU for up to 16MB (1 entry per 128KB)
 - z196 has 3712 entries per CPU for up to 1TB (1 entry per 282MB)
- Translations themselves are not a terrible thing
 - > They only cost a few tens of machine cycles
- Storage access times for translations are an issue...



Bigger Pages are (Mostly) Better

- 4K page translation the knee bone's connected to the thigh bone...
 - 1. Read Segment Table Origin from Control Register 1, 7, or 13 (non-AR mode)
 - 2. Read from zero to three Region Tables
 - 3. Read the Segment Table to find the Page Table Origin of interest
 - 4. Read the Page Table to translate the virtual address to a real address
 - 5. Store the result in the TLB

(ASCE => R1T => R2T => R3T => Segment Table => Page Table => Real Page Address)





Bigger Pages are (Mostly) Better

- Each of those read operations except the first is potentially a real storage operation...
 - If the virtual address of interest is not in the TLB, it is either:
 - A new address to translate
 - An address that has aged off the TLB
 - In either case the odds of finding all the data needed for translation in a local cache are *not* particularly close to 100%
 - ➤ Best case is a 3-level lookup (STO, Segment Table, Page Table) with two possible storage accesses
 - ➤ Worst case is a 6-level lookup (STO, three Region Tables, Segment Table, Page Table) with five possible storage accesses
- On our hypothetical server, the worst case is over 4,250 machine cycles spent waiting for translation for one address!
 - >...not counting the actual memory access, which can make it 5,100
 - ➤ Now, think about an SS instruction with *two* translations...



Bigger Pages are (Mostly) Better

- The use of large pages can improve the ratios for exploiters...
 - ...by a factor of ~256 (it's more complicated than that under the covers)
 - ➤ So 1 entry per 282 MB becomes ~1 entry per 1128 KB
- ...and reduce the cost of translations for exploiters...
 - ➤ Because 1 MB is the z/OS segment size, we <u>never</u> need to fetch the page table for a 1 MB page
 - This always reduces the potential storage accesses by one
 - Worst case is now 5-level lookup (from 6, a 16.7% improvement)
 - Best case is now 2-level lookup (from 3, a 33.3% improvement)
- ...and finally, help reduce translations for other programs running on the system:
 - Each 1 MB page requires only one TLB entry
 - This can free up to 255 entries for 4K and 1M pages used by other programs

More On Bigger Pages

- Note that large pages are currently fixed in the predefined large frame area (LFAREA in IEASYSxx)
 - Assigning too much storage is bad for other system users
 - Assigning too little prevents exploiters from using large pages
 - Pageable large pages APIs exist but are not currently implemented
- Not-so-good candidates for the use of large pages:
 - Programs with small working sets
 - Programs predominantly referencing small amounts of widely-scattered data in memory
 - Programs with very infrequent storage references
 - Very short-running programs

Large (1MB) Page Support

Introduced in z/OS R10, PTF for z/OS R9

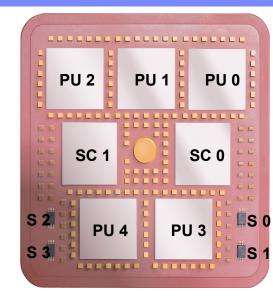
- Requires a z10 or later server
- Current implementation fixes all large pages

Current exploiters include:

- ➤ Java 6 SR1 and later, and its exploiters
 - Including WebSphere Application Server
- z/OS R11 and later XL C/C++ programs using Language Environment
- The z/OS operating system, in z/OS R12 and up
- ➤ IBM DB2 10 for z/OS (5605-DB2)

Hiperdispatching

- Introduced in z/OS R10:
 - ➤ HIPERDISPATCH= parameter in IEAOPTxx
 - Yes—Use Hiperdispatch
 - No—Use old dispatching algorithms
 - Hiperdispatch is designed to:
 - Create "affinity nodes" (usually ~4 CPs per node on z10, z196)
 - Try to dispatch a given unit of work within a single affinity node
 - Rebalance work between affinity nodes periodically

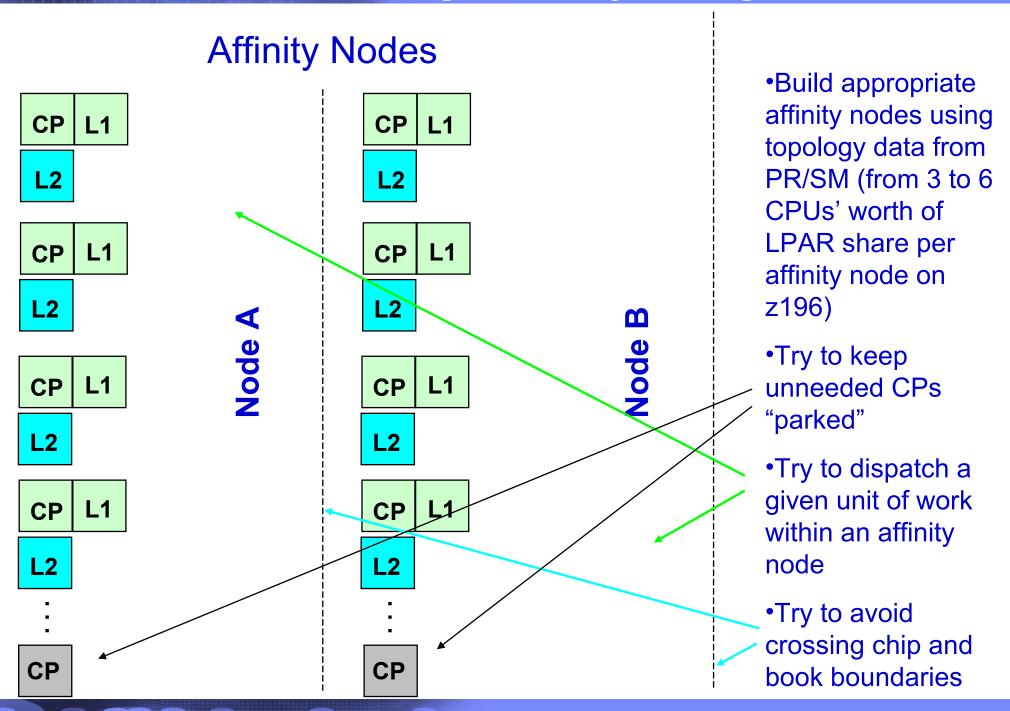


z10 EC Multi-Chip Module (MCM)

- Corresponding PR/SM[™] support on System z10[™] and zEnterprise servers
 - Needed to provide topology information to z/OS and to maintain correspondence between logical CPs and physical CPs
 - Dispatching to same logical CP...
 - ...doesn't help if PR/SM dispatches the logical CPs to different physical CPs!
 Workload Management

Workload Management
Update for z/OS 1.13 and 1.12
Monday 3:00





Prefetching

- Prefetch instructions let you ask for data from memory before you need it
 - First introduced on IBM System z10 servers
 - Enhanced on z196 servers
- This can get data into local cache at a time closer to when a program will actually need it
 - The idea being that it does not need to wait, or wait as long
 - Think of this like calling ahead for pizza before you leave work
 - Call the local pizza parlor
 - Pick it up on the way home without the 20-minute wait
 - Feed the spouse and kids on arrival
- Prefetch exploiters include:
 - Java 6 SR1 and later
 - > DB2 10 and later
 - > z/OS R11 and later
 - > z/OS R10 XL C/C++ and later
 - CICS TS V3.2 and later





Cache Alignment

Cache alignment

- Gets very little if any press, even though a lot of work goes into it
 - Analysis, change, functional and performance testing
 - Started ~2005 by z/OS performance team
 - Scope spans z/OS and subsystems (DB2, WAS, IMS)
 - Some teams looking at expanding the scope independent of z/OS
- Effects mostly show up in LSPR, zPCR, etc.
- Important to optimize the use of (especially) local caches
- For data, find cases of multiple fields with high update activity on a single cache line and move them apart to get them on different ones
 - We often call this "splitting a hot cache line"
 - Afterward, updating one field does not cause cross-processor cache line invalidation for the other field
- For instructions, restructure the code to group likely-to-run code onto a minimum number of cache lines
 - Idea is to reduce those expensive trips down memory lane
- These things can generate migration actions when we move fields that form part of the z/OS API



Other Compiler Optimizations

In addition to using:

- New instructions in general
- Prefetch instructions
- ...and supporting other new hardware facilities as they arrive...

Smart compilers and JITs avoid storage accesses

- Emphasize register and immediate operands...
- ...even if "theoretical path length" is sometimes greater
- Done by current Java SDKs and z/OS XL C/C++ compiler



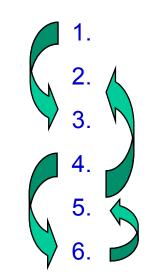




"Pure Hardware" Plays Too!

- Out-of-Order execution (OOO)
 - Just because your boss gives you an ordered list of priorities doesn't mean that:
 - You do the first thing until done, and then the second, etc.
 - If anything has to wait, you will be idle!
 - Not the way to get the most things done in the least time
 - ➤ What we all do (well, most of us):
 - Work on the first until you have to wait, begin the second, etc.
 - Be cognizant of dependencies so the results are the same as sequential execution
 - A z196 is smart enough to do this with instructions as they run
 - Avoid sitting idle waiting for instruction fetches and storage operands (among other things)
 - Run other instructions when possible without affecting the outcome
 - Iterate until the delay is over, a blocking dependency occurs, or until the machine can't see that far ahead
 - A z196 CPU can wait for more than one thing at a time...
 - I think this makes the machine smarter than I am!
 - (Add it to the list with my smartphone, microwave, etc.)

My CPU
really does
wait faster
than your
CPU!*



Also, lots of HW cache optimization work

z/OSMF "Started Small"

- Imbedded web server and a small number of applications
 - Introduced with z/OS R11 (also runs on z/OS R10)
 - Includes WASOEM
 - Included these initial applications:
 - An Incident Log capability to help you gather and send problem data to vendors
 - An updated Configuration Assistant for z/OS Communications Serve to help you configure TCP/IP networking policies
 - ➤ IBM's business systems make it hard to say "free" sometimes:
 - z/OSMF is a "priced product" with a price of zero dollars per value unit...
 - ...and with "priced service and support" also priced at zero
 - z/OS Management Facility V1 5655-S28
 - z/OS Management Facility V1 Subscription and Support 5655-S29



z/OSMF R12 Enhancements

- Added and updated applications:
 - Workload Management policy editor to help simplify WLM policy management
 - Sysplex Status and Monitoring Desktops tasks to provide combined real-time status monitoring for servers, sysplexes, and Linux® images, and let you drill down to detailed information about monitored systems
 - Configuration Assistant for the z/OS Communications Server updated with support for IPSec, IKEV2, new crypto and authentication algorithms, and enhanced AT-TLS support
 - Incident Log enhanced to add encrypted parallel FTP support and let you add information to incidents
 - Support for adding application launch points to the z/OSMF navigation tree

z/OSMF R13 improvements

- z/OSMF Capacity Provisioning Manager application
 - Designed for easy monitoring of CPM status
- z/OSMF Configuration Assistant for Communications Server
 - Multiple release configuration support (both R12 and R13 systems)
 - Sysplex-wide policy definitions
 - IP address discovery from stacks
- Expanded SAF-based security for user authorization and roles
 - In addition to current z/OSMF security
 - Intended to supplant z/OSMF repository-based authorization support
- Consolidated workload monitoring
 - With RMF and z/OSMF you can monitor z/OS, AIX®, and Linux workloads
 - Monitor across zHybrid ensembles and other network-accessible AIX and Linux systems from within z/OSMF
- New RESTful API for batch (more about this later)
- z/OSMF support for application linking
 - Allow z/OSMF applications to link directly to others via URL
 - Both in-context linking and simple linking
 - Intended to make it simpler to navigate across apps...such as...



Manage your
Workloads and
Performance with
z/OSMF
Monday 4:30

z/OSMF 1.13 Implementation and Configuration Thursday 8:00

z/OSMF Hands-On Lab Thursday 11:00

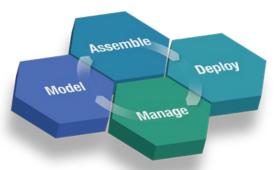
z/OSMF Roundtable Thursday 12:15



z/OSMF R13 Software Deployment

- New application to clone system software
- Supports anything packaged with SMP/E
- Designed to let you:
 - ➤ Identify, modify, delete software instances
 - Generate jobs to copy a software instance
 - Verify cross-system and cross-product requisites
 - Compare source/target environment HOLDDATA
- Copies include SMP/E target CSI data sets
 - Can opt to omit the DLIB zone for images you do not intend to service
 - > Intended to help assure rigor in the cloning process
 - > Help ensure you have a good inventory for service
- Designed to support both local copies (within a shared DASD environment) and remote copies (across a network)
 - Remote copies require a running, remote z/OSMF
- Support for z/OS UNIX file system mount table with UK73699
- Available with the PTF for APAR PM40764:
 - Additional security for software instances and deployment operations
 - Configuration reuse

z/OSMF Software Deployment Hands-on Lab Friday 11:00





z/OSMF R13 Enhancements

Action Perspective Tutorials Help
V1R13 Configuration Assistant - Backing Store (Read-Write) = saveData

Main Perspective

Navigation tree



z/OS
Communications
Server Intrusion
Detection
Services
Tuesday 9:30

Configuration for z/OS IPSec and IP Packet Filtering Tuesday 11:00

z/OS Communication Server technologies

Select the technology you want to configure and click Configure.

Select Action ▼		
Select	Technology	Description
0	AT-TLS	Application Transparent - Transport Layer Security
0	DMD	Defense Manager Daemon
0	IPSec	IP Security
0	IDS	Intrusion Detection Services
0	NSS	Network Security Services
0	QoS	Quality of Service
0	PBR	Policy Based Routing

Work with settings for z/OS images

Add a New z/OS Image...

To work with a specific z/OS image or TCP/IP stack, select the z/OS image or TCP/IP stack from the navigation tree.

Save Exit

Leveraging z/OS
Communications
Server
Application
Transparent
Transport Layer
Security (AT-TLS)
for a Lower Cost
and More Rapid
TLS Deployment
Wednesday 4:30

Safe and Secure Transfers with z/OS FTP Thursday 1:30



z/OSMF Outlook*

- No "new z/OSMF" release this year...
- But, can you spell "SPEs"?
- Functions planned for the next several quarters include designs to provide:
 - Software Deployment: More actions for software instances
 - Linking between Workload Manager and Resource monitoring
 - Capacity Provisioning support for creating, editing, & activating configurations and policies
 - Usability enhancements for Incident log and Classic ISPF
 - Enhanced RESTful interface for submitting z/OS jobs from data sets and z/OS UNIX files
 - Support for additional browsers



z/OS R13 Highlights

For a more complete view of z/OS R13 content, see the Winter 2012 SHARE proceedings. You can find Session 10642. "What's New in z/OS" at:

https://share.confex.com/share/118/webprogram/Session10642.html

z/OS 1.13

A smarter operating system with designs for:

Improving Usability and Skills

New and updated z/OSMF

applications & web-enabled

ISPF, User-level mount

command for z/OS UNIX®

System Services, Automatic

UCB updates, SDSF Sysplex

functions to work without

MQ, Catalog parmlib

member, Better O/C/EOV

Messages, Health Checks, ...

Integrating new Applications and Supporting Industry and Open Standards

Java[™]/COBOL interoperability,
RESTful API for batch, Improved
Support for unnamed sections,
ISPF Edit Macros, Subsystem and
Unauthorized XTIOT support, dbx
hookless debug, DFSORT[™]
improvements, Job level return
codes, ...

Scalability & Performance

Fully-shared zFS in a sysplex,
IEBCOPY performance, RMODE 64
extensions, 1 TB volumes*, IFASMFDL
improvements, 500K+ aliases per user
catalog, Larger VVDSs,
FREEVOL=EOV, FTP support for large
format data sets and EAS,...



Enhancing Security

RRSF over TCP/IP, LDAP improvements, enhanced SAF security for z/OSMF, NAS address checking and encryption negotiation, New restricted QNAMEs, PKI support for DB2® backstore, ICSF support for new HMACs, FTP & TN3270 password phrase support, ...

Improving Availability

Warn before TIOT exhaustion, CMDS enhancements, Parallel FTP for dump transfers, PFA ENQ tracking, RTD improvements, zFS Refresh, DADSM Dynamic Exits, JES2 spool migration, JES3 dynamic spool addition, Better channel recovery, More ASID reuse, ...

Self Managing Capabilities

WLM and RMF to provide response time distribution for all goals, DFSMShsm[™] Journal Backup and space management improvements, Hybrid-wide monitoring...

Extending the Network

IDS IPv6 support, NAT
Traversal for IKEV2, NMI
extensions, More VLANs per
OSA port, more 64-bit TCP/IP,
EE improvements, ...

- JCL Improvements with JES2
 - Stop journaled jobs on step boundaries
 - Job-level return codes
 - ✓ JOBRC=HIGHEST, LAST, STEPRC
 - Support for instream data sets in PROCs
 - ✓ //ddname DD *
 - SPIN= DD JCL (and dynamic allocation) support for spin interval specification similar to that on JESLOG
 - ✓ SPIN=(UNALLOC,interval|time|size)
- Remaining SDSF Sysplex functions no longer to require WebSphere MQ (aka MQSeries):
 - WLM enclaves (ENC)
 - z/OS UNIX processes (PS)
 - Health checks (CK)
 - Resource monitor (RM) (JES2 only)



- Automatically fix SMS CDS data set attributes
 - Health check for NOREUSE in R12
 - Automatically changed to REUSE in R13
- Automatic cross-sysplex UCB updates for DFSMSdss™
 RESTORE and DFSMShsm Fast Replication Backup and Recovery processing
 - Specify a new REFUCB keyword in DEVSUPxx:
 - ENABLE|DISABLE(REFUCB)
 - Designed to issue VARY automatically on sharing systems when these operations change volume serial, VTOC pointer
- Better OPEN/CLOSE/End of Volume Messages
 - Additional information so you don't have to look up the message
 - New MPFLSTxx parameter to activate after PTFs for APAR OA37505:
 - ✓ .MSGOPTION VERBOSE(YES | NO)
 - ✓ Replaces DEVSUPxx parameter, OCE_ABEND_DESCRIP
 - No longer written to SYSLOG after PTF for APAR OA37957
 - Example:

IEC145I 413-40,IFG0194F,RDASL1,RDSL1,SYSUT1,0920,,DATASETX

ERROR DESCRIPTION:

THE DEVICE DOES NOT SUPPORT THE RECORDING MODE REQUESTED BY THE USER OR DETERMINED BY THE SYSTEM.

END ERROR DESCRIPTION: IEC145I

DFSMS Latest and Greatest Monday 3:00



New Catalog parmlib Member

- New optional IGGCATxx member
- CATALOG=(xx,yy, ...) in IEASYSxx
- Default is IGGCAT00
- Parmlib concatenation & multiple members supported
- Catalog defaults taken if no parmlib member found
- Support for specifying:
 - ✓ VVDS space defaults
 - Catalog utilization warning message threshold
 - ✓ Limit on CAS service tasks (overrides any specification in SYSCATxx)
 - ✓ Whether to enable extension records for user catalog aliases
 - ✓ A number of other things you also specify using MODIFY CATALOG
 - ✓ Some of these keywords inadvertently omitted from R13 Init & Tuning: EXTENDEDALIAS(YES/NO), DELFORCEWNG(YES/NO), DSNCHECK(YES/NO), SYMREC(YES/NO), UPDTFAIL(YES/NO), VVRCHECK(YES/NO), DELRECOVWNG(YES/NO)
 - ✓ Next planned refresh should include all these new keywords

Warning message for usercatalog delete

- For catalogs with RECOVERY attribute with DELRECOVWNG(YES) in IGGCATxx
- Bypassed for those with ALTER authority to the master catalog



DFSMSrmm improvements

- Automatic recovery for missing or out-of-sequence tape volumes
 - For multivolume data sets, DFSMSrmm will attempt to return the corrected list
 - New message: IEC716I ddname: TAPE MULTIVOLUME LIST CORRECTED
 - Note: Not available when you specify OPTCD=B, which bypasses label anomaly processing
- Specify expiration date or VRS management for data sets
 - Help simplify retention policies, avoid batch VRS policy management, and enable you to determine how long a tape data set will be retained
- SEARCHDATASET command to allow searching tape data set

metadata based on:

- Date ranges
- Relative values
- SMS constructs
- Catalog status



Health Checking

- Health Checker Framework improvements
 - Better control of check scheduling
 - ➤ New SYNCVAL keyword in HZSPRMxx parmlib member and MODIFY
 - Checks can raise message severity as conditions change
- New migration health checks:
 - Warn when zFS configuration option is not set to sysplex=filesys
 - ➤ Verify new symlinks added to enable read-only root in z/OS R13, available on R11 and R12 for easier read-only with the PTFs for APARs OA35636 and OA35605
 - ➤ Warn you that the z/OS console mode of operation has not been specified, available for z/OS R10 or later with the PTF for APAR OA32930.

New health checks:

- Detect and report on tape library devices that had initialization errors at IPL time, provide explanation and suggested remedy
- Allocation checks for options that can cause deadlocks, small TIOT
- Tape library IPL initialization



Scalability and Performance

True cross-system sharing of zFS in a sysplex

- Direct I/O from all sharing systems
- No more function-shipping
- Significant zFS file system performance improvements expected; most measurements showed a 50-150% improvement*

IEBCOPY improvements

- Much better performance expected for some operations; we measured elapsed time reductions from 19-70%* for:
 - > PDS-to-PDS COPY
 - > PDS-to-sequential unload
 - PDS compress
- Also, removed requirement for APF authorization

^{*} Note: Performance improvements are based on internal IBM laboratory tests. Your results will vary. I/O performance improvements measured for fully shared zFS ranged from very small to 900%, with the majority of workload conditions tested falling between 50% and 150%. The actual amount of improvement will depend on the environment (monoplex or Parallel Sysplex) and the type of file processing being done. IEBCOPY improvement will depend on the amount of data being copied, the record format, the record length, and the block size.



Scalability and Performance

EAV Support:

z/OS R13 adds:

- Support for 1TB volumes (see next page)
- SDSF support for output data sets
- FTP support for SMS-managed and non-SMS-managed PS basic and large format, PDS and PDSE, and GDG data sets
- PL/I Support with the PTF for APAR PM43745 on z/OS R11 and up

No support for above the line for:

- Imbed and Keyrange attributes
- Incompatible CA sizes for VSAM
- Page data sets, HFS data sets, LOGREC
- > NUCLEUS, SVCLIB, VTOC, VTOCIX
- RACF® databases
- DFSORT work data sets used for Peervale sorts
- Parmlib concatenation data sets
- XRC Control, Master, or Cluster non-VSAM data sets

PDS, PDSE,SequentialSpool, CKPT,JCT

VSAM Data Sets

NUCLEUS, Pagespace KEYRANGE or IMBED, RACF DB, ...

65,520 Cyls

All Data Set
Types
3390-A
EAV

Scalability and Performance

1 TB EAVs

- z/OS R13 and R12 (with PTFs) support 1 TB EAVs
- Requires:
 - ➤ IBM System Storage DS8700 or DS8800
 - ➤ New DS8000 licensed machine code
 - Intended to relieve storage constraints while helping you simplify storage management by providing the ability to manage fewer, larger volumes as opposed to many small volumes
 - > PTFs for APARs OA28553, OA35138, OA36148, PM08486
- Also of interest:
 - OA29933 (larger RBAs in LISTCAT),
 - OA30632, OA35034, OA36996, OA37221 (Data sets > 4TB)

VVDS maximum size increase

- For VVDSs in and out of EAS
- Maximum VVDS space increased from 5,460 <u>tracks</u> to 5,825 <u>cylinders</u>
- Increases practical maximum number of data sets from hundreds of thousands per volume to millions per volume

DFSMSdss™ Dump/Restore/Copydump performance (R12)

- Use 256K blocks rather than 64K blocks
- Expected to improve throughput for some operations

- VSAM Data SetsPDS, PDSE,Sequential
- •Spool, CKPT, JCT

Pagespace KEYRANGE or IMBED, RACF DB, ...

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Improving Availability

JES2 SPOOL Migration*

- Dynamically remove a SPOOL volume using \$T M SPOOL
- Also, can enlarge an existing spool data set using \$TSPOOL,SPACE
 - For example, in combination with Dynamic Volume Expansion
- Available with PTF UA64366

JES3 Dynamic SPOOL Addition

 Add a SPOOL volume without a JES3 restart using the *MODIFY CONFIG command

> z/OS 1.13 JES3 Product Update and Review of Newer Features Monday 3:00

> JES3 SYSOUT: How It Works and How to Manage It Wednesday 1:30

z/OS 1.13 JES2 Product Update and Latest Status Monday 4:30

> JES2 Performance Considerations Tuesday 11:00

What are All These JES2
NJE Options? (The A-Zs
of NJE)
Thursday 9:30



Improving Availability

CMDS Command enhancements

- CMDS ABEND,CMD=xxxxxxxxx,ID=nnnn introduced many moons ago
- Enhanced in R12 to enforce "non-abendable" commands
- CMDS FORCE command added for z/OS R13; intended to be used when only alternative is IPL

Parallel FTP tool now part of z/OS

- IBM z/OS Problem Documentation Upload Utility
- Messages to be split between SYSPRINT and DEBUG data sets
- New program name, AMAPDUPL
 - ✓ Alias MTFTPS for compatibility

Message flood automation processing improvements:

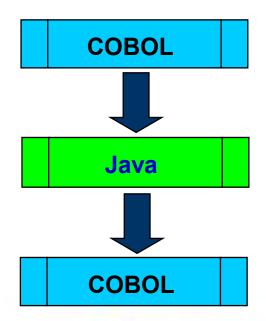
- Increase message ID limit from 50 to 1024
- Allow up to 128 address spaces to be tracked per system
- Allow the default message set to be identified in a parmlib member
- Intended to increase the scope of message flood automation, improve its usability, and help improve system availability





z/OS Batch Runtime environment—Java/COBOL interoperability

- Intended to provide the framework for Java to COBOL interoperability for transactional updates to DB2 while sharing database connections
- Designed to enable you to extend valuable COBOL assets using Java
- Note: Java programs eligible for zAAPs
- Requirements include:
 - ➤ IBM 31-bit SDK for z/OS, Java Technology Edition, Version 6.0.1 (5655-R31)
 - ➤ DB2 V9.1 for z/OS (5635-DB2) or later with PTFs
 - Enterprise COBOL for z/OS V4.2 (5655-S71), or later



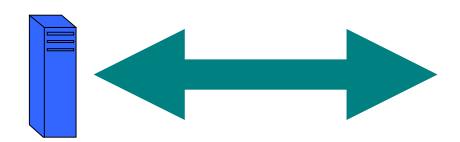


RESTful z/OS Batch Submit API

• Allow you to use z/OS batch from other z/OS systems and from other platforms using HTTP and HTTPS:



- Submit a batch job
- Obtain job status
- List and retrieve spool files for a job
- Cancel a job and purge it from the spool
- Can help create web-enabled applications that leverage batch
- Requirements include:
 - ✓ z/OS V1.13
 - ✓ z/OSMF V1.13





DFSMS™ support for very long retention periods

- RETPD=9999 was old limit (a bit over 27 years)
- New design limit is 93,000 days (a bit over 254 years)
- Notes:
 - 1-byte fields and 1900 TOD epoch date limit most expiration dates to YE2155
 - 99000 and 99366 remain as "never expire" dates no matter how derived
 - OAM and DFSMSrmm to support expiration dates up to the year 2264

SDSF support for REXX™ and Java access to OPERLOG

- In addition to access to syslog
- Use ISFLOG command for REXX
- Use ISFLogRunner class for Java

ISPF support for line command-level Edit macros

In addition to initial and command line-level macros

User-level mounts and unmounts for z/OS UNIX

- BPXPRMxx support for limiting user mounts
- SAF-based security for allowing the function
- Can restrict which mountpoints a user may use and allow mounts only at empty mountpoints

New IEBPDSE utility

Designed to verify PDSE structures



ISPF Editor Beyond The
Basics Hands-on
Lab - Parts 1 & 2
Thursday 8:00 &
Thursday 9:30

ISPF Hidden
Treasures and
New Features –
Parts 1 & 2
Thursday 11:00 &
Thursday 1:30

New XL C/C++ support for:

- IPA and HOT options for Metal C
- A qsort() function
 - Allows an array to be sorted using a function you supply
 - Intended to relieve Metal C programmers from having to write sort routines with similar capabilities
- New ARCH(9) functions for programs running on zEnterprise System servers:
 - Interlocked storage access instructions
 - Multiply and Add in hexadecimal floating-mode with a new combination of FLOAT(MAF) and FLOAT(HEX) options
- New C++0x function, trailing return type, for which the compiler deduces the type of an auto variable from the type of its initializer expression
- Debugging enhancements:
 - Hookless debug, intended to allow you to debug programs whose sizes and performance characteristics are more closely aligned with production programs.
 - New debugging APIs provide easier access to debug information in .mdbg and .dbg files.
 - Debug information for inline procedures, gives the ability to set entry breakpoints at all inlineinstances.
- ...and more (see announcement or Summary of Changes)



Language Environment now supports recovery from more I/O-related abends

- For output and close operations for C/C++ programs
- Return to C/C++ programs indicating that an I/O error has occurred rather than issuing an abend
- Intended to provide a more predictable recovery environment when I/O errors are encountered

Language Environment support for initializing multiple CEEPIPI main environments under one TCB

- Designed to provide access to a user word for each environment
- Intended to help you migrate Preinitialization Compatibility
 Interface (PICI) environments to CEEPIPI

dbx "hookless" debug support

- In prior releases, dbx inserted EX instructions, aka "hooks," at compilation time to provide debugging breakpoints
- In R13, dbx provides support for programs compiled without hooks

Make Your PL/I and C/C++ Code FLY With the Right Compiler Options Monday 11:00

Look What I Found Under the Bar! Thursday 8:00

Finding Debugging
Clues in LE Dumps
Thursday 9:30

Exploit Condition Handling in LE Thursday 11:00

Heap Damage, Is Your Insurance Upto-date? Friday 11:00

LDAP improvements

- SHA-2 password hashing
 - Support for salted and unsalted SHA224, SHA256, SHA384, and SHA512
- Set search limits by groups of users
 - Override server-wide limits imposed by sizeLimit and timeLimit
 - 500-entry maximum is the default
 - Range is from 1 to 2147483647, or no limit
 - Administrator searches not bound by any limits
- Support for paged results as described in RFC2696
 - Get back segmented results, a specified number of entries per "page"
- Support for server-side sorting as described in RFC2891
 - Sorted search results based on a list of criteria, where each criterion represents a sort key
- 64-bit support for TDBM
 - DB2 ODBC 64-bit support
 - 64-bit TDBM/Bulkload, Idif2ds, DSCONFIG, GDBM support.
 - Support more data in TDBM using DB2 9 for z/OS (5635-DB2) with PTF UK50918 or later
- Support to enable Kerberos binds to be processed by Microsoft's Active Directory Server
- LDAP administrative authority delegation

Implementing z/OS LDAP Server 1.13 with RACF **Hands-on Lab Monday 9:30**

z/OS LDAP Plug-ins:

Weds 9:30



EAL5 Certification

- z/OS V1.12 RACF for z/OS 1.12 has achieved Common Criteria certification at EAL5, the highest commercial grade assurance level
- Certification presented to IBM on 29 February 2012 at RSA conference
- IBM System z PR/SM and z/OS RACF now both certified at that level
- IBM intends to submit z/OS V1.13 RACF for evaluation as well*

RRSF via TCP/IP

- In addition to APPC
- Secure the links via AT-TLS
 - > AT-TLS required; RRSF will refuse to use an unsecured link
 - Server- and client-side authentication will be used
 - Sample rule will specify strongest available encryption method
 - More and better encryption algorithms available in AT-TLS
 - ✓ Note: RRSF via APPC uses 56-bit DES
- Can allow an EE link used for this purpose to be changed to native TCP/IP
- New operand on TARGET operator command or issued during RACF subsystem initialization:
 - PROTOCOL(TCP(ADDRESS(hostname_or_IP_address)))



z/OS Communications Server intrusion detection technology adds support for IPv6 and more attack types

- Intended to provide IPv6 intrusion detection security and help you prevent certain error situations and denial of service attacks
- Configuration Assistant for z/OS Communications Server can help you configure the new IDS support

z/OS Communications
Server Intrusion Detection
Services Tuesday 9:30

z/OS UNIX file system security

- File system-level access control using SAF with the PTFs for APARs OA35970, OA35973, OA35974
 - Available for z/OS V1.12
- Optional access control check uses profiles in a new FSACCESS class
- When a user is authorized to use a file system, permission bits and ACLs used to control access to individual files and directories
- Intended to help improve security administration and auditability

IBM Ported Tools for z/OS (5655-M23)

- Provides the sudo utilities in the PTF for APAR OA34949, now available
- Included as part of the Supplementary Toolkit for z/OS feature
- Designed to deliver the sudo (su "do") open source tools that allow system administrators to delegate authority to users or groups of users

Support for NAS to perform RFC 4120 address checking

- New CHECKADDRS setting in the KERB segment of the KERBDFLT profile in the REALM class
- Kerberos server should interrogate the addresses in tickets when CHKADDRS is set to YES
- New data returned by R_kerbinfo service

Support for encryption type negotiation in NAS

- Intended to work as described in RFC 4537.
- Allow stronger encryption than that supported by a KDC

TN3270 and FTP support for password phrases

In addition to existing support for passwords

z/OS UNIX now provides the capability for IPv4 UDP datagram reply packets to flow on the same interface where the request arrived

- When server system has multiple home addresses with multiple routes back to the client or is using a DVIPA
- Designed to be similar to existing support for IPv6
- Intended to allow applications to require that the response to a request be restricted to the same IPv4 address from which the request was received



Cryptographic Support for z/OS V1.11 through z/OS V1.13 web deliverable*

- AES Key-Encrypting-Keys (KEKs)
- Diffie-Hellman key exchanges using ECC, and encryption of ECC keys under AES KEKs
- PKA RSA PKCS#1 Optimal Asymmetric Encryption Padding (OAEP) using SHA-256
 - Intended to help meet the requirements of the Japanese Banking Association
 - Available with z/OS V1.13, and with the Cryptographic Support for z/OS V1.10 through z/OS V1.12 web deliverable with PTF UA62056
- Storing up to 100 PIN decimalization tables inside cryptographic coprocessors
 - Intended to help you meet ANSI X9.8 PIN protection requirements
 - Requires a TKE V7.1 workstation, available on IBM zEnterprise servers
- Dynamic PKA Master Key Changes
 - Allow PKA callable services processing to continue
 - Aligns PKA master key change procedures with those for AES, DES, and ECC master key changes
 - Also available with a Crypto Express2 Coprocessor (CEX2C) card, available for IBM System z10 servers
- Dynamic CKDS Administration, CKDS Reencipher, and Symmetric Master Key changes
 - Designed to allow these operations to be processed in parallel with CKDS updates
 - Coordinated for all members of a Parallel Sysplex that share the same CKDS data
- Exchange DES and TDES keys with other cryptographic systems using ANSI TR-31 Key Blocks
 - > TR-31 key blocks intended to allow keys to be exchanged between different cryptographic systems
- Support for hardware-based RSA 4096-bit cryptography using a Crypto Express3 Accelerator (CEX3A), available on zEnterprise System servers
 - In addition to existing support using the Crypto Express3 Coprocessor (CEX3C) available on IBM zEnterprise servers
- Available from:
 - http://www.ibm.com/systems/z/os/zos/downloads/

ICSF Update Wednesday 8:00

System SSL enhancements:

- ECC support for X.509 V3 certificates using the ECDSA and ECDH algorithms
 - Designed to let you to create them in key database files or ICSF PKCS#11 tokens
 - Certificate Management Services API support
- Extend use of ECC to enable TLS V1.0 and V1.1 handshakes with ECC cipher suites and digital certificates during connection negotiations per RFC 4492
- Support for ECC certificates residing in SAF key rings with their private keys stored in the ICSF PKDS
- Support for private keys in secure digital signature generation operations available through Crypto Express3 Coprocessor (CEX3C) cards on IBM zEnterprise servers

RACF support for generating ECC secure keys

- Using the CEX3Cs available for zEnterprise servers
- New RACDCERT keywords designed to allow you to specify that an ECC key be stored in the ICSF public key data set (PKDS); corresponding hardware ECC key support for PKI Services.
- Intended to allow you to expand your use of certificates with ECC keys protected by hardware

Restrict additional QNAMES to authorized programs:

- Already restricted:
 - QNAMEs starting with SYSZ (such as SYSZVOLS)
 - ADRDFRAG, ADRDSN, ARCENQG, BWODSN,SYSCTLG, SYSDSN, SYSIEA01,SYSIEECT, SYSIEFSD, SYSIGGV1, SYSIGGV2, SYSPSWRD, SYSVSAM, and SYSVTOC
- Now also restricted:
 - ARCDSN, ARCBTAPE
 - ARCGPA, ARCBACV, and ARCMIGV, when converted from RESERVE to ENQ

PKI Services Support for DB2 Backstore

- Optional use of DB2 rather than native VSAM for Object Store (OST) and Issued Certificate List (ICL)
- Allows DB2-based queries and reporting
- Other advantages of DB2 apply (e.g., online REORG)
- Support for lots and lots (billions) of certificates
- Support for much larger CRLs
 - ➤ Without DB2, maximum CRL size extended from 32k to over 500k
- ICL duplexing via DB2
- Most value thought to be for large-scale certificate deployments



VIPARANGE DVIPA Security

- Support for RACF profiles controlling which user IDs can create and destroy VIPARANGE DVIPAs extended
- Allow you to specify ranges of VIPARANGE DVIPAs or individual VIPARANGE DVIPA addresses

IPSec support for FIPS 140-2 cryptographic mode enhanced

- AES-GCM and AES-GMAC support when using sysplex-wide security associations in FIPS 140-2 mode
- IKE daemon uses new ICSF services in FIPS mode

IKEv2 support

- Added to z/OS Communications Server V1.12
- In V1.13, Communications Server adds Network Address Translation (NAT) traversal support using IKEv2 for IPv4
- Intended to make it easier to migrate to IKEv2 if you use NAT
- Also, sysplex-wide security associations support for IPSec tunnels negotiated using IKEv2 and IPv4 addresses



Better DFSMShsm journal backups

- Old way was to lock the journal for the entire backup
- New design:
 - Read control record
 - Back up journal data described by original control record
 - Lock journal, back up control record, back up balance of journal
- Expected to be much less disruptive for very active DFSMShsm systems
- Should be particularly nondisruptive if run when DFSMShsm activity is at its nadir for the day
- Note: Must use Concurrent Copy to back up CDS and specify SETSYS JOURNAL(RECOVERY) to use this function

DFSMShsm Space Management improvements

- New option to specify that space management to start when any volume in an automigration storage group exceeds the utilization threshold rather than using Interval Migration processing
- Intended to make DFSMShsm space management more responsive while reducing Interval Migration CPU utilization spikes
- Also, improvements in volume data set list processing so data movement can start sooner



The Wonderful World of DFSMShsm SETSYS Commands Monday 4:30

RMF monitoring for zEnterprise ensembles:

- RMF provides CIM-based performance data gatherers for:
 - Linux on System z and Linux on IBM System x®
 - AIX systems
- Designed to provide a consistent monitoring solution for zEnterprise ensembles
- Along with the Resource Monitoring plug-in for the z/OS Management Facility, first made available with z/OSMF V1.12, this is intended to display performance metrics from those platforms and combine them with z/OS metrics in common graphic views

Response time distributions calculated by WLM and reported by RMF for velocity and discretionary goals

- As for response time goals, reported in 14 "buckets"
- Unlike response time goal reporting, mid-points can be recalculated and changed from time to time

RMF support for additional contention reporting

- For system suspend lock, GRS enqueue, and GRS latch contention
- New Postprocessor Serialization Report available in XML output format
- New SMF Type 72 subtype 5 records
- Help make it easier to respond to serialization-related performance issues.



RMF: The Latest and Greatest Monday 11:00

OAM improvements

- Support for file systems in the disk level for zFS and NFS, in addition to DB2-backed object storage
 - Allows you to use z/OS UNIX file systems to store, retrieve, and delete objects, and to move objects between file systems and other locations in the OAM hierarchy
 - Intended to provide you more flexible ways to configure your OAM storage hierarchy
- Wildcard support for the MODIFY OAM,START,STORGRP command to allow you to initiate OSMC storage group processing for multiple object and object backup storage groups in single commands
- Dynamic update capabilities to enable changing the maximum number of tape drives OAM allocates to an object or object backup storage group without restarting OAM
- Enhanced MOVEVOL to improve performance when moving objects from a source volume that contains a large number of OAM collections
- CTICBR00 now shipped in the SMP/E-managed parmlib so you can use parmlib concatenation rather than copying it from samplib to parmlib during migration
- SMF Type 85 records now include counter fields with higher maximum values, in addition to the existing fields in KB



InfoPrint improvements

- Support for specifying either a primary or a secondary JES2 subsystem
 - Intended to allow you to isolate print data on a secondary JES2 spool so unexpectedly large amounts of print output do not disrupt a primary JES2 subsystem
- PrintWay[™] Extended Mode designed to allow you to select output to be printed based on the amount size of each job, and direct it appropriately
 - For example, direct large print jobs to high-speed, high-volume printers and small ones to lower-speed distributed printers
 - Intended to remove one of the last significant inhibitors for migrating from Infoprint® Server PrintWay Basic Mode to Extended Mode
- PrintWay Extended Mode enhancements for emailing documents:
 - Include text and line-data documents in the body of an email
 - Use a subset of RFC 2822-compliant email headers in line-data documents without modifying JCL or printer definitions
 - Send different documents from a print job to the same people or different people using email headers, job attributes, or JCL, with common introductory text
- Infoprint Central now supports:
 - Showing the age PrintWay Extended Mode fields used for job selection in printer properties

Configuring and Exploiting the New Infoprint Server FromAFP Transforms
Tuesday 9:30

Networking

Continued focus on IPv6

- We have been talking about IPv4 address exhaustion for a couple of years now...
- The <u>last IPv4 address</u> was assigned to a regional pool by IANA in February 2011
- IPv4 address exhaustion started this year as Regional Internet Registry pools began to run dry
- RIR APNIC's pool exhausted 15 April 2011¹
- More than you ever wanted to know at: http://www.potaroo.net/tools/ipv4/index.html
- If your z/OS system talks to the outside world and does not yet speak IPv6 you need to get going!
- z/OS R8 was IPv6 Ready
- z/OS R12 is IPv6 Phase 2 Ready
- z/OS R13 is IPv6 Phase 2 Ready
- 1. According to http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/IPv4_address_exhaustion



IPv6 on z/OS Thursday 9:30



IANA IPv4
Address Space
Registry

Final Update:

3 February 2011

Networking

- More flexibility for specifying reserved TCP/IP port ranges
- New CSSMTP server design for better memory and JES resource management when retrying mail send operations
- Improved z/OS system resolver processing when name servers are unresponsive
- More VLANs per OSA port
 - Define up to 32 VLANs per OSA port per IP version
- Autonomic recovery for APPN routing tree corruption
- New design to monitor for CSM-constrained conditions and taking specified recovery actions
- Enterprise Extender connectivity tests initiated using the DISPLAY NET, EEDIAG, TEST=YES command when firewalls block ICMP messages expected to complete more quickly

z/OS
Communications
Server Technical
Update, Parts 1 & 2
Monday 9:30 & 11:00

z/OS CS Performance Improvements Tuesday 4:30

Sysplex Networking Technologies and Considerations Wednesday 11:00



Installation Support

Individual products and groups via ServerPac:

- Products that can stand alone (no shared libraries or members) planned to be available separately

 - Covers most z/OS & DB2 checklist products
 Install using the ServerPac installation dialog
 Intended to allow easy installation of sets of products that you install and migrate separately
 - (To install in zones with existing products, use CBPDO)
- Some restrictions apply (see ordering checklists when available)
- Planned for October 2012 availability



- ServerPac[®]
- CBPDO
- Customized Offerings Driver (COD)
- ESO
- Notes:
 - > IBM recommends Internet delivery
 - > DVD installation requires a workstation with a network connection to the

 - z/OS driving system

 Installing the COD requires use of the HMC

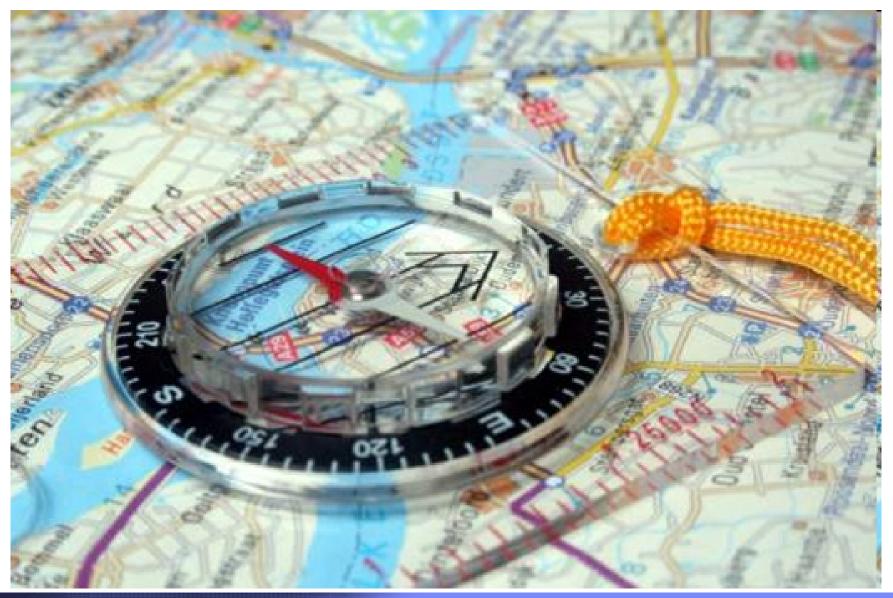
 No longer available in the USA: SystemPac®, ProductPac®, and FunctionPac fee-based offerings and selective follow-on Service (SFS)







Statements of Direction*



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Reminders:

- z/OS V1.13 is planned to be the last release to support multi-file system zFS aggregates, including zFS clones
 - Support for the zfsadm clone command and mount support for zFS file system data sets containing a cloned (.bak) file system will be removed
 - iBM recommends that you use copy functions such as pax and DFSMSdss to back up z/OS UNIX file systems to separate file systems.
 - Support for zFS compatibility mode aggregates will remain.
- z/OS V1.13 is planned to be the last release to support BPX.DEFAULT.USER
 - ➢ IBM recommends that you either use the BPX.UNIQUE.USER support that was introduced in z/OS V1.11, or assign unique UIDs to users who need them and assign GIDs for their groups.
- z/OS V1.13 is planned to be the last release to provide the z/OS Capacity Provisioning support that utilizes the System z API for communication with the Support Element (SE) or Hardware Management Console (HMC).
 - This protocol is based on IP network connection using SNMP.
 - IBM recommends configuring the Capacity Provisioning Manager for communication via the z/OS BCP Internal Interface (BCPii) protocol. The SE and HMC support for the System z API remains, and is not affected by this withdrawal of support.
- z/OS V1.13 is planned to be the last release in which the BIND 9.2.0 function will be available.
 - If you use the z/OS BIND 9.2.0 function as a caching-only name server, use the resolver function, which became generally available in z/OS V1.11, to cache Domain Name Server (DNS) responses.
 - If you use the z/ÓS BIND 9.2.0 function as a primary or secondary authoritative name server, investigate using BIND on Linux for System z or BIND on an IBM blade in an IBM zEnterprise BladeCenter® Extension (zBX).



- z/OS V1.13 is planned to be the final release for which the IBM Configuration Assistant for z/OS Communications Server tool that runs on Microsoft Windows will be provided by IBM
 - Currently an as-is, nonwarranted web download
 - Use the supported z/OSMF Configuration Assistant application instead
- z/OS V1.13 is planned to be the last release to support a staged migration for JES2 and JES3. Future releases will require you to migrate to all elements of z/OS at the same time, including JES2, JES3, or both.
- z/OS V1.13 is planned to be the last release to support changing the default Language Environment runtime options settings using SMP/E-installable USERMODs. IBM recommends using the CEEPRMxx PARMLIB member to set these options.
- With the introduction of the SAF mode authorization in z/OSMF 1.13, IBM intends to withdraw support for Repository mode authorization in a future release. Both modes are being currently supported to allow customers time to migrate to the new authorization mode.



Handy Resources



System z Social Media

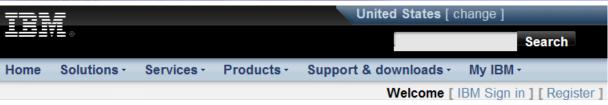
- System z official Twitter handle:
 - @ibm_system_z
- Top Facebook pages related to System z:
 - Systemz Mainframe
 - > IBM System z on Campus
 - > IBM Mainframe Professionals
 - Millennial Mainframer
- Top LinkedIn Groups related to System z:
 - **▶** Mainframe Experts Network
 - Mainframe
 - > IBM Mainframe
 - > System z Advocates
 - Cloud Mainframe Computing
- YouTube
 - > IBM System z



Leading Blogs related to System z:

- Evangelizing Mainframe (Destination z blog)
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 - & lots more...
- URL:

http://www.ibm.com/developerworks/university/systemz/index.html

z/OS Basics Page



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New to z/OS? You've come to the right place! The z/OS basic skills information center is the fastest way to learn and become productive on z/OS.

Once you've learned the basic z/OS concepts and skills presented here, you can find the z/OS product documentation at the z/OS Internet Library Web site.

→ What's New

In June 2010, We added an enhanced "online workloads" section with new detailed information on IMS and DB2 for z/OS.

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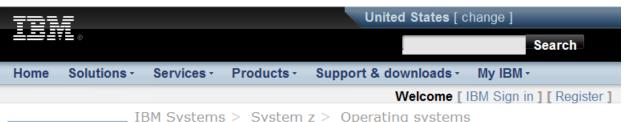
- Entry-level books on PDF
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Handy links to:

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- V1R13 z/OS Announcement letter
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Replay now available for the Accelerate your migration to z/OS V1R13 teleconference

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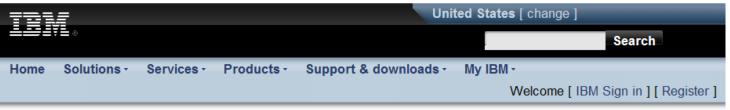
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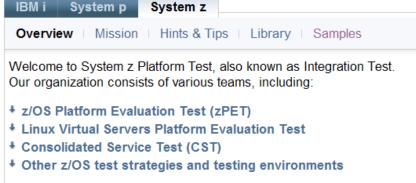
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New! Recently we released a new edition of our test report which describes our experiences testing on z/OS V1R13. This new edition, titled z/OS V1R13.0 System z Platform Test Report for z/OS and Linux Virtual Servers, is located in our Test Report Library.

z/OS Platform Evaluation Test (zPET)

We are a team of z/OS testers and system programmers who run a Parallel Sysplex on which we perform the final verification of a Z/OS release before it becomes generally available to customers. As we do our testing, we gather our experiences, hints, tips, and recommendations and we publish them as the System z Platform Test Report for z/OS and Linux Virtual Servers, formerly known as the Z/OS Parallel Sysplex Test Report. You can find our test reports in our Test Report. Library.

We publish a new test report with each new release of z/OS and provide a refreshed edition in between z/OS releases.

We also publish a Parallel Sysplex recovery book, z/OS System z Parallel Sysplex Recovery (GA22-7286-01). This book describes our

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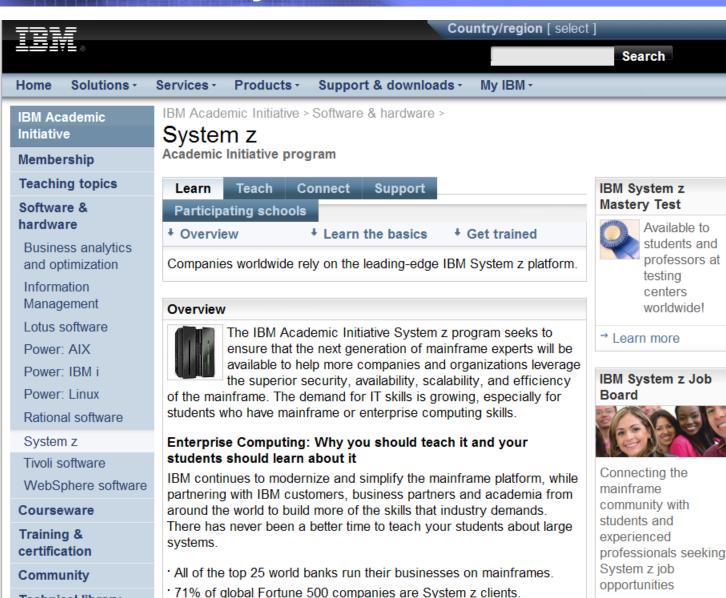
- Test experience reports about HW, OS, middleware
- Hints & Tips
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Handy links to:

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- Linux Virtual Servers Platform Evaluation Test
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