

IBM and Next Generation Linux

Linux on System z

Europe System z software & hardware business



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Agenda

- System z hardware
- System z virtualisation
- Linux on System z
- Questions



Points of View

Mainframe	Distributed
Everything is concurrent unless explicitly warned to be disruptive.	Concurrency is a marketing "bullet point" feature (often fairly new).
Concurrent changes are fully documented. They work. They have worked for many years.	Concurrent changes are sometimes documented. They usually work but it's common to ask around to find out if anyone else has had problems and then decide not to risk it on a production system.
DR (Disaster Recovery). Supported by hardware, virtualisation layer and O/S. Planned. Implemented. Tested at known intervals. Works.	DR? Oh, er, yeah, hmm, well,
Can always get "there" from "here" – hardware changes, O/S changes, new apps, changed apps	Flag days or complex planned changeovers required for hardware, O/S versions, scaling to new topologies followed by maintenance of multiple types of hardware and topologies
A continuous line of proof of all these claims and the platform's abilities over decades.	Often features work when first announced (but not always). Sometimes changes in hw or O/S persist a while but sometimes new "ways of doing things" necessitate difficult changeovers.

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System z10 Overview

- Machine Type
 - 2097
- 5 Models
 - E12, E26, E40, E56 and E64
- Processor Units (PUs)
 - 17 (17 and 20 for Model E64) PU cores per book
 - Up to 11 SAPs per system, standard
 - 2 spares designated per system
 - Dependent on the H/W model up to 12, 26, 40, 56 or 64 PU cores available for characterization
 - Central Processors (CPs), Integrated Facility for Linux (IFLs), Internal Coupling Facility (ICFs), System z10 Application Assist Processors (zAAPs), System z10 Integrated Information Processor (zIIP), optional - additional System Assist Processors (SAPs)
- Memory
 - System Minimum of 16 GB
 - Up to 384 GB per book
 - Up to 1.5 TB for System and up to 1 TB per LPAR
 - Fixed HSA, standard
 - 16/32/48/64 GB increments
- I/O
- ▶ Up to 48 I/O Interconnects per System @ 6 GBps each
- Up to 4 Logical Channel Subsystems (LCSSs)
- ETR Feature, standard



z10 EC Multi-Chip Module (MCM)

- 96mm x 96mm MCM
 - 103 Glass Ceramic layers
 - 7 chip sites
 - 7356 LGA connections
 - 17 and 20 way MCMs



CMOS 11s chip Technology

- PU, SC, S chips, 65 nm
- ▶ 5 PU chips/MCM Each up to 4 cores
 - One memory control (MC) per PU chip
 - 21.97 mm x 21.17 mm
 - 994 million transistors/PU chip
 - L1 cache/PU core
 - 64 KB I-cache
 - 128 KB D-cache
 - L1.5 cache/PU core
 - 3 MB
 - 4.4 GHz
 - 0.23 ns Cycle Time
 - 6 km of wire
- 2 Storage Control (SC) chip
 - 21.11 mm x 21.71 mm
 - 1.6 billion transistors/chip
 - L2 Cache 24 MB per SC chip (48 MB/Book)
 - L2 access to/from other MCMs
 - 3 km of wire
- 4 SEEPROM (S) chips
 - 2 x active and 2 x redundant
 - Product data for MCM, chips and other engineering information
- Clock Functions distributed across PU and SC chips
 - Master Time-of-Day (TOD) and 9037 (ETR) functions on the SC

z10 EC Chip Relationship to POWER6™

- New Enterprise Quad Core z10 EC processor chip
- Siblings, not identical twins
- Share lots of DNA
 - ▶ IBM 65nm Silicon-On-Insulator (SOI) technology
 - Design building blocks:
 - Latches, SRAMs, regfiles, dataflow elements
 - Large portions of Fixed Point Unit (FXU), Binary Floating-point Unit. (BFU), Hardware Decimal Floating-point Unit (HDFU), Memory Controller (MC), I/O Bus Controller (GX)
 - Core pipeline design style
 - High-frequency, low-latency, mostly-in-order
 - Many System z and System p designers and engineers working together
- Different personalities
 - Very different Instruction Set Architectures (ISAs)
 - very different cores
 - Cache hierarchy and coherency model
 - SMP topology and protocol
 - Chip organisation
 - IBM z10 EC Chip optimised for Enterprise Data Serving Hub







Processor design points: chip real estate







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Running mixed workloads

Distributed

System z



- Working sets may be too large to fit in cache
- "Fast" processor speed is not realised due to cache misses
- RAS failures have more severe consequences

- System z cache is able to contain more working sets
- Processor speed is optimised by increased cache usage
- Additional RAS function is beneficial for mixed workloads



I/O Connectivity

- FICON adapters are used for connectivity to disk and tape
 - ▶ Up to 336 FICON channels can be installed in a z10 EC
 - Latest generation is FICON Express4, channel is full duplex at 4 Gbs
 - Up to 350 MByte/s throughput (large I/Os); up to 13000 I/O per second (4KB I/Os)
 - Each channel can be put in either
 - FICON mode traditional mainframe protocol which includes built-in transparent multipathing and measurement support
 - FCP ("Fibre Channel Protocol") mode to provide SCSI SAN device access to Linux on System z, z/VM and z/VSE
- A range of OSA-Express2 features support ethernet connectivity
 - 10 Gbps over fibre (up to 10km unrepeated)
 - ▶ 1 Gbps over fibre (up to 10km unrepeated) or 1000BASE-T (copper)
 - Some other network connectivity options are available too
 - ▶ Up to 48 ports per system
- Hipersockets
 - Allows partition-to-partition TCP/IP networking within the System z CEC
 - Extremely high performance and low latency (memory speed)
 - Extremely strong isolation assurance (EAL5, see Common Criteria section)



Cryptography

- CPACF: CP Assist for Cryptographic function
 - Symmetric, clear-key crypto algorithms are built into each CPU chip
 - DES, T-DES, AES-128, -192, -256, SHA-1, SHA-2 (224, 256, 384, 512), PRNG
- Other crypto can be offloaded to Crypto Express2 card features
 - Up to 8 features, each with 2 PCI-X cryptographic adapters
 - Each PCI-X crypto adapter can be configured as accelerator or coprocessor
 - Co-processor
 - Public and secret key crypto
 - Tamper-proof, secure key, FIPS 140-2 Level 4
 - Algorithms such as T-DES, RSA, PIN
 - Supports Master Key or TKE (Trusted Key Entry) workstation
 - Accelerator
 - Clear-key, RSA operations
 - 6000 SSL handshakes per second (with one Crypto Express2 feature)





RAS characteristics of System z-Reliability, Availability and Serviceability

- Each PU has dual instruction/execution engines: the two engines execute each instruction in lockstep; output is compared at each checkpoint; on mismatch, PU retries from checkpoint; on continued failure, dynamic sparing occurs to any unused PU ("self-initiated brain transplant")
- L1 cache parity checked and store-through to L2 poports cache-line delete (compartment and one-line), cache-line sparing ("fuse" relocation)
- L2 cache supports cache-line relication pecially designed 40 (check lits for each 64-bit word), Directory address field: (25,19) ECC; Directory ownership field: (11,5) ECC; Single correction; double error detection; L2 cache can delete any ombination of lines
- Main memory: special EC; (140,128) od Cc re s si gl/ b ran res, single / nbol failures (detects any arbitrarily "flak," chip); chips rved for paring
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- DRAM with y defects are spared; AMs with high failure rates re spared; spares can be spared; constant memory scrubbing; error counts accumulated; key protection (3 copies of every key (plus parity))
- Concurrent replacement/repair all cards can be replaced concurrently
- First error data capture (FEDC); Error logs stored in HMS or SE and queued to RETAIN
- Channel subsystem (CSS): STI and channel independence; Multipathing; Measurement; Administration; One hardware instruction issues I/O request: other processors handle all the details
- Common I/O Platform (CIOP) used for FICON-Express OSA-Express: PCI to STI adaption bridge; Dual cross-checked PowerPC microprocessors and bridges; two independent data-mover queue (DMQ) engines

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System z Security: Common Criteria

- Common Criteria
 - ▶ is an accepted standard for evaluating the security of a computing system
 - is based on a set of functional and assurance requirements
- A higher EAL rating assures higher security for the tested security profile
 - Common security profiles are
 - CAPP: Controlled Access Protection Profile
 - provides Discretionary Access Control ("DAC") the "usual" profile
 - LSPP: Labelled Security Protection Profile
 - Provides "multi-level security" with Mandatory Access Control (MAC)
- The security requirements in Common Criteria have gained support as "best practices"
- PR/SM (the code that implements LPAR) is assured at level EAL5
- z/OS is assured at level EAL4+ for LSPP and CAPP
- z/VM 5.3 has completed evaluation at level EAL4+ for CAPP and LSPP
- Linux distributions SLES10 and RHEL4 are assured at level EAL4+ for CAPP





Server Virtualisation Approaches



- Hardware partitioning subdivides a server into fractions, each of which can run an OS
- Hypervisors use a thin layer of code to achieve fine-grained, dynamic resource sharing
- Type 1 hypervisors with high efficiency and availability will become dominant for servers
- Type 2 hypervisors will be mainly for clients where host OS integration is desirable



LPAR and z/VM

- Mainframe Logical Partitioning (LPAR), introduced in 1988, has provided years of business-critical, high-performance server partitioning for the world's largest corporations
 - Share processor, memory, I/O, and network among multiple operating environments
 - Isolates workloads with Common Criteria EAL5 assurance
- z/VM, commercially available since 1972, has supported mixed workloads that require minimal hypervisor overhead, massive scalability, and exceptional levels of availability
- Both LPAR and z/VM employ hardware and firmware innovations developed over the years that make virtualisation a fundamental part of IBM System z architecture





System z virtualisation / partitioning



- System z provides two levels of partitioning
- PR/SM enables scalable virtual server hosting for LPAR environments
- z/VM provides hypervisor function for highly scalable virtualisation



Scalability Limits

z/VM V5.3 on a single System z10 supports...

- up to thousands of guests (subject to physical resources, of course)
- up to 64 CPUs per virtual machine
- up to 32 (physical) CPUs per z/VM LPAR
- virtual machines with up to 256 GB of memory
- up to 256GB (physical) memory per z/VM LPAR
- virtual machines with I/O-intensive workloads
 - mainframe I/O bandwidth in a z/VM environment is very large and hardware assisted
- a mix of 31-bit and 64-bit guest images (and has done since 2001)
- non-disruptive addition and configuration of system resources such as CPUs, I/O devices, and network adapters to capable guests (including Linux, z/OS and z/VM)
 - and the hardware and z/VM supports non-disruptive addition and configuration of real CPU, I/O and network resources too



When Do You Need More Than "Good Enough"?

- Making the Case for Mainframe Virtualisation
- When workload growth and decline is difficult to predict (be it production, development, or test and assurance systems)
- When business results suffer as a result of IT resources not matching customer demand
- When your IT staff wants to optimise their productivity for deploying and managing virtual servers
- When innovation is stifled because your staff cannot experiment or develop new solutions using existing resources
- When speed to market affects your business results
- When your server applications need fast and flexible access to z/OS data and applications
- When business continuance is a high priority
- When you want more control over your environmental expenses (e.g., floor space, cooling)

Linux for Business-Critical Workloads



What is Linux on System z?

- Standard Linux with ASCII environment
- Uses System z hardware, including IEEE floating point, HiperSockets, traditional (ECKD) and FCP (Open Fibre Channel, SCSI) disks, CPACF cryptographic CPU instructions, ...
- Runs native, within an LPAR, or under z/VM



- Design Principles
 - Not a unique version of Linux (Linux is Linux)
 - No change to Look & Feel of Linux on System z
 - The IBM commitment to z/OS, z/TPF, and z/VSE is not affected



Integrated Facility for Linux (IFL)

- Engines (CPUs) characterised to run only Linux workloads
 - Supports z/VM and Linux on System z
 - Priced much cheaper than engines for z/OS use
 - IFLs on "sub-uni" systems run at "full speed"
 - z800, z890, z9 EC, z9 BC, z10
- Traditional mainframe software charges unaffected
 - IBM mainframe software
 - Independent Software Vendor products
- Linux and z/VM charged only against the IFL's
 - Includes Linux and z/VM themselves and Linux software
 - Some IBM software also permits subcapacity pricing
 - pay for only the engines of guests that run the software



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Basic 3-tier Architecture







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Production plus System Test/QA



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Production plus System Test/QA plus development



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Production plus System Test/QA plus development plus DR





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Four applications









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32 applications and we're up to 576 servers Large enterprises have dozens to hundreds of applications...





Typical Server Utilisation (absolute)



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Typical Server Utilisation (relative)



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IBM Software for Linux – Product Matrix *ibm.com/linux/matrix*

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ISV Support for Linux on System z



For more details please see: http://www.ibm.com/servers/eserver/zseries/os/linux/apps/all.html

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IBM Internal Linux Consolidation

- IBM will consolidate about 3,900 servers onto about 30 System z mainframes running Linux
- Used commercial TCO model to estimate savings in a Cross-IBM effort.
- We expect substantial savings :
 - Annual Energy Usage reduced by 80% .
 - Total floor space reduced by 85% .
- This transformation is enabled by the System z's sophisticated

virtualisation capability



Processors





Source: IBM. The Linux on Intel servers selected in this example are functionally eligible servers considered for

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Scientists from the RAND Corporation have created this model to illustrate how a 'home computer' Could look like in the year 2004. However the needed technology will not be economically feasible for the average home. Also the scientists readily admit that the computer will require not yet invented Technology to actually work, but 50 years from now scientific progress is expected to solve these problems with teletype interface and the Fortram language, the computer will be easy to use.

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Thankyou for your attention





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