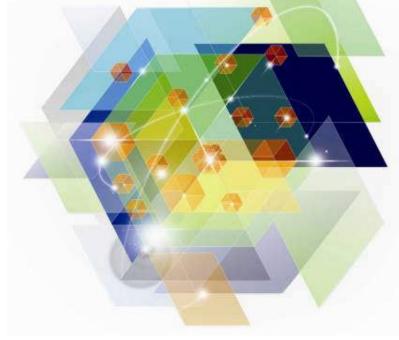


# **Tivoli and IBM zAware:**

Save money from enhanced analytics with Tivoli support for IBM zAware

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## Agenda

- Why do we need IBM zAware?
- What is IBM zAware?
- IBM zAware complements your existing environment
- IBM zAware and Tivoli
  - Event Management
  - Automation
  - Problem Determination and MTTR
  - Traditional Performance Monitoring
  - Monitoring the IBM zAware environment



## Excerpt from the IBM EC12 Announce letter

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**IBM zAware:** With IBM zEnterprise EC12 (zEC12), IBM introduces a new technology, IBM zAware, based on machine learning developed by IBM Research. IBM zAware is designed to use near real-time continuous learning algorithms, providing a diagnostics capability intended to help you quickly pinpoint problems, which in turn, can help you to more rapidly address service disruptions. IBM zAware uses analytics to intelligently examine z/OS messages to find unusual patterns, inconsistencies, and variations.

Large z/OS operating system environments can sometimes generate more than 25 million messages per day. This can make manual analysis time-consuming and error-prone when exceptional problems occur. IBM zAware uses machine learning to help your organization gain visibility into system behavior, helping you to optimize service, respond to problems quicker, and increase availability.

IBM plans to provide **new capability within the Tivoli Integrated Service Management family of products** designed to leverage analytics information from IBM zAware, and to provide alert and event notification.



# IBM zAware Some Background

Systems are more complex and more integrated than ever

- Errors can occur anywhere in a complex system
- Difficult to detect, difficult to diagnose, symptoms / problems can manifest hours/ days later
- Problem can grow, cascade, snowball
- Volume of data is unmanageable need information and insight
- Systematic 'soft failures' (sick but not dead) much harder to detect – several anomalies can build up over time





## What is IBM zAware?

Manage IBM zAware

Firmware partition (similar to CF)

### IBM zAware provides:

- z/OS Log Analytics Analysis of z/OS operlog
- Firmware appliance that runs 'out of band' (not on z/OS)
- Training period determines 'normal' message flow, volumes, etc.
- Surfaces anomalies to help detect Sick But Not Dead (SBND) scenarios

View IBM zAware specific knobs via GUI

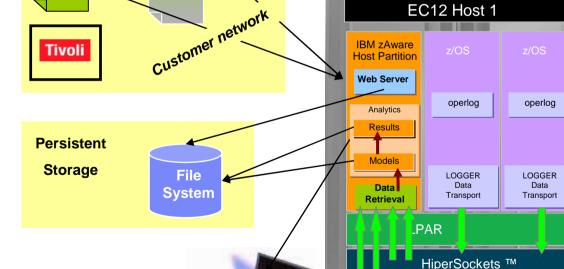
Z/OSMF IBM zAware GUI

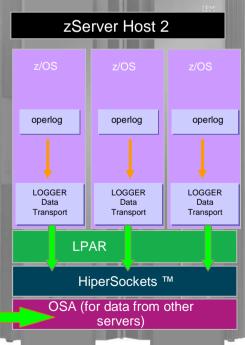
EC12 Host 1

| IBM zAware | IBM z

OSA (for data from other

servers)







z Enterprise

# IBM zAware - Identifies unusual system behavior

# IBM zAware contains sophisticated analytics, applies IBM insight, and <u>machine</u> <u>learning</u> to understand your unique system

#### Reporting **Monitoring Detection Frequency** Near real-time analysis Supports IBM and non-Detects anomalies other Samples every 2 minutes IBM middleware and solutions might miss Intuitive reporting – both high 10-minute interval applications level and drill down Can find the rare or Uses 90-day rolling Monitors OPERLOG in infrequent message Color-coded browser display baseline; a utility provided a sysplex or monoplex to populate baseline; Can detect an unusual XML output can feed ISVs or Assigns a message number of normal flexibility provided processes anomaly score to help messages History kept for 2 years Tivoli provides event identify potential issues Can detect messages (default) notifications and issued out of context integration with service management capabilities Analysis Source: Change Source



# How can IBM zAware Improve Problem Determination?

- Identify messages indicating a possible z/OS incident is happening
  - Which image is behaving abnormally?
    - Examines unique messages
    - High score generated by
      - unusual messages or message patterns
  - When did this unusual behavior start?
  - For a selected 10 minute interval either the current 10 minute interval or past intervals
    - Which message ids are unusual?
    - How often did the message occur?
    - When did the message start to occur?
  - Were similar messages issued in the past?
    - Similar characteristics, Same pattern?

- After a change has been made
  - Are unusual messages being issued following changes?
    - New software levels (operating system, middleware, applications)
    - Updated system settings / system configurations
- When diagnosing the cause of an intermittent problem
  - Are new unusual messages being issued in advance of the problem?
  - Are more messages issued then expected?
  - Are messages issued out of normal pattern or context?

Vertical bar shows the number of unique messages in a 10 minute interval

Scoring of messages color coded from common (blue) to rare (orange)

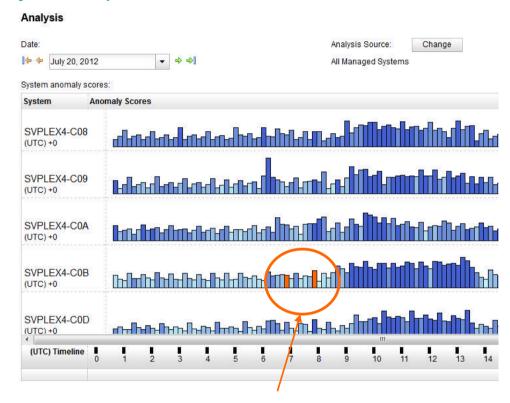
#### Finds Anomalies that would be Hard to Detect





# IBM zAware – User Interface IBM System z Advanced Workload Analysis Reporter

- Monitors z/OS OPERLOG including all messages written to z/OS console, including ISV and application generated messages
- Detects things typical monitoring systems miss due to:
  - Message suppression (message may be too common)
    - Useful for long-term health issues
  - Uniqueness (message not common enough)
    - Useful for real-time event diagnostics
- Color-coded, easy-to-use web browser GUI
- XML Output can feed other products

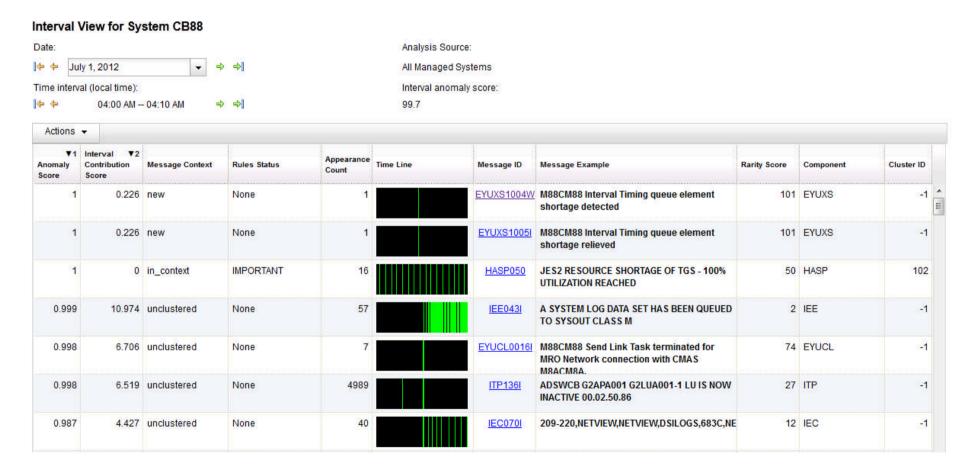


Ability to drill down for details on anomalies



## Sample Output - Interval View

# Drill down to see JES2 resource shortage



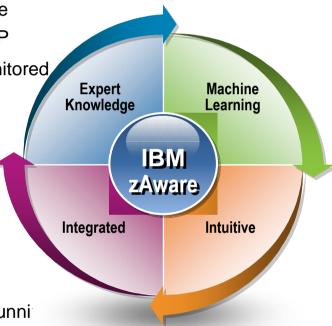
## **IBM zAware Operating Requirements**

#### zEC12 to host IBM zAware Server

- IBM zAware requires it's own LPAR and runs it's own self-contained firmware stack.
  - This will reduce the number of LPARs available for customer use
- IBM zAware processor resources can be IFL or General Purpose CP
- Memory and DASD resources are dependent on the number of monitored clients, amount of message traffic, length of time data retained
  - Memory Min 6GB + 256 MB
  - DASD ~ 500GB (ECKD or FC)
- Network: HiperSockets or OSA ports for both gathering of instrumentation data, and outbound alerting/communications
  - Need dedicated IP address for partition

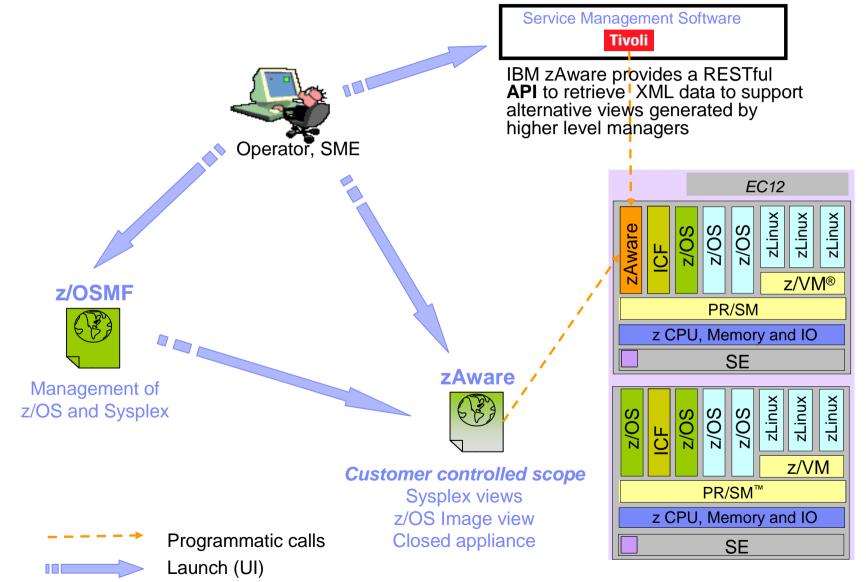
#### zAware Monitored Clients

- IBM zAware monitored clients can be on any System z Server runni z/OS 1.13 + PTFs
  - IBM zEnterprise 196 (z196), IBM zEnterprise 114 (z114), etc., and can share log files via IP network with IBM zAware server
- 90 days historical syslog or OPERLOG data to initially prime IBM zAware





# IBM zAware Complements Your Existing Environment





## IBM zAware and Tivoli Service Management - A powerful Combination

Get the more from the zAware feature by **integrating** with **Tivoli Service Management.** Tivoli will utilize the zAware API to integrate log analysis with existing service management capabilities.

- •Provide visibility into IBM zAware anomalies via Event Management
- •Improve MTTR through integration with existing problem determination and performance monitoring tools
- •Identify system errors and eliminate subsequent occurrences thru automation and more sophisticated analysis

IBM zAware is <u>NOT</u> a replacement for traditional performance and availability monitoring tools. It's just the opposite. When used in conjunction with existing service management tools, it can provide a VERY powerful combination to help achieve 24/7 uptime, improve MTTR when problems occur and help avoid subsequent problems.



## IBM zAware, Automation, Event Management and PD Tools



View event in Active Event List

Generate trouble ticket

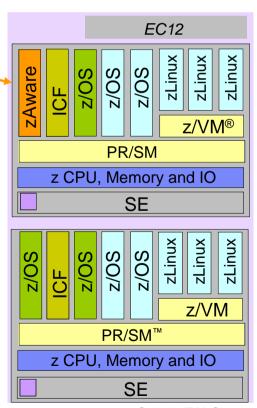


#### NetView processing ...

- Query zAware (10 minute interval)
- •If anomaly detected
  - Generate 'anomaly' message
  - Generate Event
- •SME Browse NetView CANZLOG to perform problem determination
- NetView samples provided to generate anomaly message and event(s)
  - Available for download from Service Management Connect
- NetView integration referenced from IBM zAware Redbook
- IBM Services (optional) available to install and configure zAware and NetView



Browse NetView CANZLOG Perform PD for anomaly





## NetView CANZLOG – Browse in zAware context

- Browse NetView CANZLOG in context of zAware anomaly
- Set filter and timeframe to view related messages in CANZLOG (consolidated log)
- Perform problem determination in context of timeframe of the anomaly

Set appropriate filters?

**Launch to proper Timeframe** 

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Canzlog MVS & local NetView messages FILTER=LOG 11/06/12 16:50:04 -- 16:50:04
16:50:04 ZAI0001I Interval Results.
                                       UTCPLXSB-SP0
          Sustem
          Interval:
                           2012-09-25T09:30:00.000Z
          Anomaly:
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16:50:04 ZAIGET - Starting
TO SEE YOUR KEY SETTINGS, ENTER 'DISPFK'
CMD==>
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## IBM zAware, Event Management and Traditional Performance Monitoring



View event in Active Event List Generate trouble ticket





z/OS Logger

Tivoli Performance
Monitoring

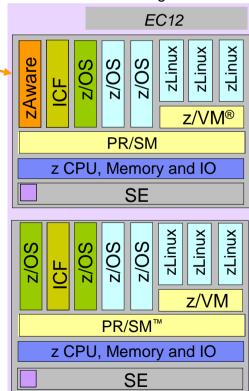
### Processing ...

- Query zAware (10 minute interval)
- •If anomaly detected
  - Trigger situation to Generate Event when anomaly is surfaced
  - Include zAware insights in performance monitoring views
- Performance monitoring scenarios currently being developed per Tivoli's statement of direction
- Customer input welcome

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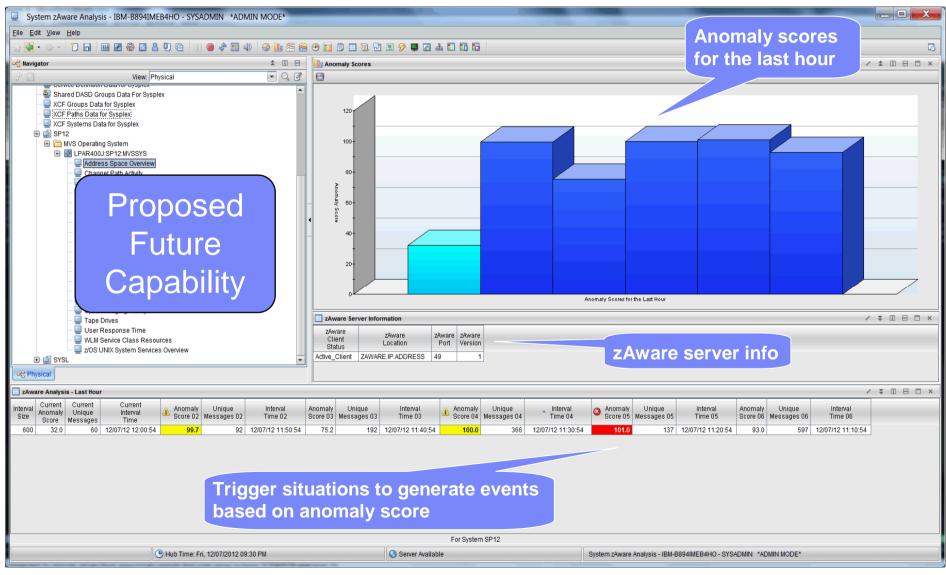


Perform PD for anomaly using association with traditional monitoring KPIs





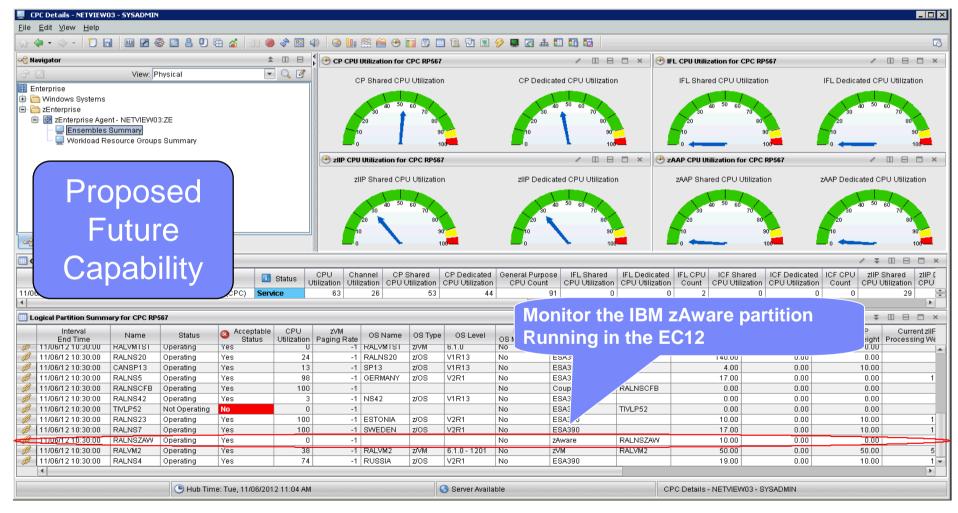
# Performance monitoring view including IBM zAware anomalies





## Monitoring the zAware Server

• The Tivoli zEnterprise Monitoring Agent already monitors the logical partitions in the CEC as shown in the 'Logical Partitions Summary' table in the zEnterprise Ensemble Summary workspace.





## IBM zAware and Tivoli – more Information

#### **IBM zAware Publications:**

System z Advanced Workload Analysis Reporter (IBM zAware) Guide - SC27-2623-00 https://www-

304.ibm.com/support/docview.wss?uid=isg24f9114255d7d1f3285257a6a0077c2ca&aid=1

### **IBM zAware Demo:**

https://www-304.ibm.com/connections/blogs/systemz/entry/zawaredemo?lang=en\_us

### **IBM zAware Redbook:**

Extending z/OS System Management Functions with IBM zAware <a href="http://www.redbooks.ibm.com/abstracts/sg248070.html?Open">http://www.redbooks.ibm.com/abstracts/sg248070.html?Open</a>

#### **Service Management Connect:**

NetView wiki page to download zAware integration samples and documentation https://www.ibm.com/developerworks/mydeveloperworks/wikis/home?lang=en#/wiki/Tivoli%20Syst em%20z%20Monitoring%20and%20Application%20Management/page/Integration%20Scenarios%20for%20Tivoli%20NetView%20for%20zOS



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