



The IBM System z platform—leading-edge technology lets your IT system expand and innovate to meet almost any business demand.

With IBM System z technology, organizations can benefit from the inherent strengths of the mainframe—processing speed, scalability, resilience and cost-effectiveness. But new System z capabilities now allow developers to work in an open environment and leverage the skills and tools they use with distributed computing environments and contemporary Web applications. System z features include:

- A flexible run-time environment that provides functionality, portability and Web services across platforms.
- Improved information management using a common database client and tools for access, administration, design and tuning.
- A consistent user experience across platforms via portal and e-mail solutions.
- Comprehensive service management using common dashboards, user interfaces, and financial and asset management tools across platforms.

IBM Rational software—accelerating application development for the System z platform

New and enhanced IBM Rational software products can accelerate the adoption of Web 2.0 and SOA projects for the IBM System z platform. An open software delivery platform allows you to build service-based applications in a common development environment. You can simplify development and delivery of new workloads across platforms and technologies; lower maintenance costs; improve productivity; and break down technology silos.

The combination of Rational software running on the System z platform can help your organization reuse valuable assets, leverage existing investments to drive innovation, and facilitate collaboration to speed time to market.

Unlock the power of your mainframe

Gain insights and understanding of your application portfolio

- IBM Rational Asset Analyzer software
- IBM WebSphere® Studio Asset Analyzer software
- IBM Rational Transformation Workbench software
- IBM Rational Asset Manager software

Leverage existing and new skills to accelerate delivery of new SOA and Web 2.0 workloads for the System z platform

- IBM Rational Developer for System z software with Java™ technology
- IBM Rational Developer for System z software with EGL
- IBM WebSphere Application Server software
- IBM CICS[®] and IBM IMS[™] software

Extend traditional green-screen applications to reach new customers and marketplaces

IBM Rational Host Access Transformation Services (HATS) for Multiplatforms software

Optimize application performance with the latest compiler technology

IBM compilers for XL C/C++, COBOL and PL/I

Increase collaboration between dispersed development teams

- IBM Rational ClearQuest® software
- IBM Rational ClearCase® software
- IBM Rational Build Forge® software
- IBM Rational Team Concert[™] for System z software

Improve mainframe application quality, performance and security

- IBM Rational Quality Manager software
- IBM Rational Functional Tester and IBM Rational Performance Tester software
- IBM Rational AppScan® software
- Problem determination tools from IBM



Bringing mainframe, Web 2.0 and SOA technology together

IBM has the breadth and depth of technology experience to help you combine the power of mainframe technology with the agility of Web 2.0 and SOA to make your organization more agile, efficient and productive. Whether you are new to the System z platform or are actively developing applications for the mainframe environment, IBM can support your initiatives with a suite of hardware, software and services.

For more information

To learn more about enterprise modernization and IBM Rational solutions for the IBM System z platform, contact your IBM representative or IBM Business Partner, or visit:

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