

**z/VM and IBM System z9 and @server zSeries**  
*... your path to success*



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## What is z/VM?

z/VM® offers a base for customers who want to exploit IBM® virtualization technology on one of the industry's best-of-breed server environments, the IBM System z9™ or @server® zSeries® platforms. With virtualization technology, customers can easily create many virtual machines consisting of virtualized processor, communications, storage, networking, and I/O resources. Virtualization technology may help lower your total cost of ownership when deploying new On Demand Business and enterprise application workloads. z/VM includes over 35 years of innovation and invention.

### z/VM Version 5 Release 2 – Enhancing Scalability for Virtualization on System z9 and zSeries

- *Virtualization technology and Linux® enablement:*
  - *Enhanced exploitation of real memory beyond 2 GB*
  - *Improved performance of z/VM Control Program (CP) use of Small Computer System Interface (SCSI) disk I/O*
  - *QDIO efficiency improvements*
    - *Paging/spooling optimization*
    - *Improved FBA emulation, helping to reduce the number of I/O requests to the VM SCSI stack with:*
      - *CP's FBA emulation functions reading CMS I/O buffers more efficiently*
      - *FBA emulation handling LOCATE CCWs more efficiently*
      - *FBA emulation handling the FBA padding function more efficiently*
  - *Definition and operation of Fibre Channel Protocol (FCP)-attached SCSI disks with capacities near 1 TB with the PTFs for APAR VM63700 (DirMaint™) and VM63664 (DFSMS/VM®)*
- *Secure Sockets Layer (SSL) server support for additional Linux distributions*
- *Enhanced performance assists for cooperating z/VM guests using OSA-Express, FCP, and HiperSockets™*
- *Enhanced systems management APIs for improved management of Linux and other virtual images*
- *Network virtualization and security:*
  - *Improved problem determination for guest LANs and virtual switches*
  - *Enhanced dynamic routing capabilities with new MPRoute server*
- *Technology exploitation:*
  - *Support for the IBM System z9 109 (z9-109)*
    - *Crypto Express2 Accelerator for SSL acceleration*
    - *Support for OSA-Express2 OSN (OSA for NCP)*
    - *Improved FCP channel utilization and sharing among operating system images with N-Port ID Virtualization (NPIV) support*
    - *Up to 60 logical partitions*
  - *Dynamic addition and deletion of logical partition names*
  - *Support for the IBM TotalStorage® DS4000 Midrange Disk Systems*
- *Systems management:*
  - *Simplified user administration with the coordination of DirMaint and RACF® changes*
  - *Improved DirMaint directory management performance*
  - *Enhanced Performance Toolkit for VM™ to support updated control blocks and new monitor data*

(See z/VM Version 5.2 General Information – GC24-6095)

## **z/VM Version 5 Release 1 – Further Enhancing Virtualization Capabilities for Linux on System z9 and zSeries**

- *Engine-based Value Unit pricing and a reduced entry price*
- *Virtualization technology and Linux enablement:*
  - *Deployment of a Linux server farm on z/VM using only (SCSI) FCP attached disks*
  - *Improved performance of z/VM CP use of SCSI disk I/O reducing the number of I/O requests to the VM SCSI stack with the PTFs for APARs VM63725 and VM63534:*
    - *QDIO efficiency improvements*
    - *More efficient CP's FBA emulation for reading CMS I/O buffers*
    - *More efficient FBA emulation of LOCATE CCWs*
  - *Definition and operation of FCP-attached SCSI disks with capacities near 1 TB with the PTFs for APARs VM63700 (DirMaint) and VM63664 (DFSMS/VM)*
  - *Reduced dependence on tape with installation from DVD*
  - *Capability to swap from faulty disks using the new HyperSwap™ command*
  - *Improved cryptographic performance with PCIX Cryptographic Coprocessor (PCIXCC) support for Linux on System z9 and zSeries and z/OS® guests*
  - *Improved security with Linux on System z9 and zSeries and z/OS guest support for Crypto Express2*
  - *New systems management APIs implemented using Version 2 (V2) of the RPC server*
- *Network virtualization and security:*
  - *Enhanced network recovery with virtual switch failover support*
  - *More flexible data transfer with virtual switch exploitation of Layer 2 support for OSA-Express and OSA-Express2 with the PTFs for APARs VM63538 and PQ97436*
  - *Improved authorization for z/VM guest LANs and virtual switches*
- *Technology exploitation:*
  - *Support for the IBM zSeries 990 (z990) and zSeries 890 (z890)*
    - *Greater scalability with up to four Logical Channel SubSystems (LCSSs) on the z990 and up to two on the z890*
    - *Transparent sharing of spanned internal and external channels across LCSSs*
    - *Improved FCP channel utilization and sharing among operating system images with NPIV support*
  - *Support for the Open Systems Adapter (OSA)-Express Integrated Console Controller*
  - *Support for OSA-Express2 GbE and 10 GbE*
  - *Support the increase in the number of TCP/IP stacks to provide additional connections to help enable more virtual machines to be connected to an external network with the PTFs for APARs VM63524 and PQ914215*
  - *Additional security for SCSI devices in a z/VM environment with Linux guests through support of FCP LUN access control with the PTF for APAR VM63328*
  - *Support for up to 24 processors per z/VM image on a z990 server*
- *Support for the IBM System z9 109*
  - *Crypto Express2 Accelerator for SSL acceleration with the PTF for APAR VM63646*

- Support for OSA-Express2 OSN (OSA for NCP)
- Improved FCP channel utilization and sharing among operating system images with support for NPIV and the PTF for APAR VM63744
- Up to 60 logical partitions
- Improvements to Capacity Upgrade on Demand
- Support for FICON® Express2 that can double the channel capacity and help increase performance
- Support for the IBM TotalStorage DS8000 Series with the PTF for APAR VM63534
- Support for the DS6000 Series with the PTF for APAR VM63535
- Use of SCSI disks by guests that support FBA disks with capacities near 1 TB (2,147,483,640 512-byte blocks) for CP volumes and up to 381 Gigabytes for CMS and GCS volumes with PTFs for APARs VM63700 (DirMaint) and VM63644 (DFSMS/VM)
- Capability to route IPv6 packets and develop IPv6 applications
- Systems management:
  - Enhanced Performance Toolkit for VM
    - Functional equivalence to the Performance Reporting Facility (PRF)
    - New reports for Linux and for SCSI FCP disks
    - Supports application monitor records for SUSE LINUX Enterprise Server (SLES) 9 with the PTF for APAR VM63580

(See z/VM Version 5.1 General Information – GC24-6095)

#### **z/VM Version 4 Release 4 – Improving Virtualization Capabilities for Linux on zSeries**

- Virtualization technology and Linux enablement:
  - Helps reduce overhead and may improve performance of virtual machines on zSeries servers
  - Higher efficiency when managing large numbers of virtual machines
  - High-performance virtual FICON CTCAs
  - Guest IPL from FCP-attached SCSI disks for Linux when hardware function is available
  - Upgraded SSL server provides appropriate Red Hat Package Manager (RPM) packages for the SLES 8 distributions.
  - Virtual Coupling Facility (CF) support to allow VM/ESA® or z/VM systems to run as second-level (or higher) guests while simulating complete OS/390® and/or z/OS coupled sysplexes
- Network virtualization enhancements:
  - Additional network-traffic configuration options using Virtual LANs (VLANs)
  - External IP connectivity for guest LANs through virtual switching
  - Guest LAN support for IPv6
  - Extended HiperSockets support
- Technology exploitation:
  - Support for IBM z990 with:
    - Improved logical partitioning scalability with Logical Channel SubSystems (LCSSs)
    - Transparent sharing of HiperSockets channels across LCSSs

- Improved FCP channel utilization and sharing among operating system images with NPIV support
- Improved capacity planning and I/O performance measurement
- Up to 30 logical partitions (LPARs)
- Cascaded FICON directors for enhanced and simplified connectivity
- Support for IBM TotalStorage Enterprise Storage Server® (ESS) Peer-to-Peer Remote Copy Extended Distance (PPRC -XD) and PPRC Version 2 (V2)
- Support for IBM ESS FlashCopy® Version 2 (V2)
- Support for IBM TotalStorage Enterprise Tape Controller 3592 Model J70 and Tape Drive 3592 Model J1A
- Systems management improvements:
  - Better control, definition, and dynamic reconfiguration of hardware I/O
  - Comprehensive performance monitoring and reporting with the optional Performance Toolkit for VM feature
  - Automated shutdown of the Shared File System
- Networking security enhancements:
  - Dynamic control of network access and configurability
  - Easier IMAP server administration with an authentication exit
- Application enablement:
  - Support for the new C/C++ for z/VM compiler (5654-A22)

### **z/VM Version 4 Release 3 – Expanding virtualization technology**

- Virtualization technology exploitation
  - Accounting of virtual network resources

- Automated shutdown of virtual machines
- Guest support for FCP channels
- I/O priority queuing
- Shared tape for z/OS, z/OS.e and OS/390
- Connectivity enhancements
  - Multicast support for HiperSockets
  - Simulation of a QDIO network adapter
  - Broadcast capability for QDIO
  - Improved TCP/IP stack security, performance, and configurability
- Systems management improvements
  - z/VM self-management to achieve guest performance goals
  - Enhanced timer management
  - Better utilization of large real storage
  - Additional performance monitor data
  - Improved accounting support for guests
- IBM ESS large volume support
  - RACF for z/VM as an optional, per-engine priced feature

### **z/VM Version 4 Release 2 – Exploiting new technology**

- Technology exploitation
  - HiperSockets, the high speed internal TCP/IP network, and OSA-Express Token-Ring
  - Guest Coupling Facility duplex support
  - Guest support for FICON channel-to-channel adapter (CTCA) communications
  - Clear-key RSA support of the IBM Cryptographic Accelerator with corresponding Linux for zSeries function

- Improved disk and minidisk cache access performance for 64-bit guests
- Connectivity enhancements
  - Guest LAN support
  - New TCP/IP server for mail accessibility using the IMAP protocol
  - TCP/IP stack security improvements
- Systems management improvements
  - Ease-of-use functions for managing Linux images
  - Move configurations and data from Virtual Image Facility™
- Converging VM C sockets libraries within the Language Environment®

#### z/VM Version 4 Release 1 – Reducing VM costs

- One-time charge (OTC) priced per-engine
- Support for the IBM Integrated Facility for Linux (IFL) processor engines
- Consolidation of select UNIX®, Microsoft® Windows® and Linux workloads on a single physical server
- Improved I/O performance for Linux guests
- Enhanced page fault support for Linux guests
- VM functions available in Version 3 except DCE, LANRES/VM, and Vector Facility
- RTM, PRF, and DirMaint as preinstalled optional, per engine priced features

(See z/VM Version 4 General Information – GC24-5991)

#### z/VM Version 3 – Exploiting z/Architecture™

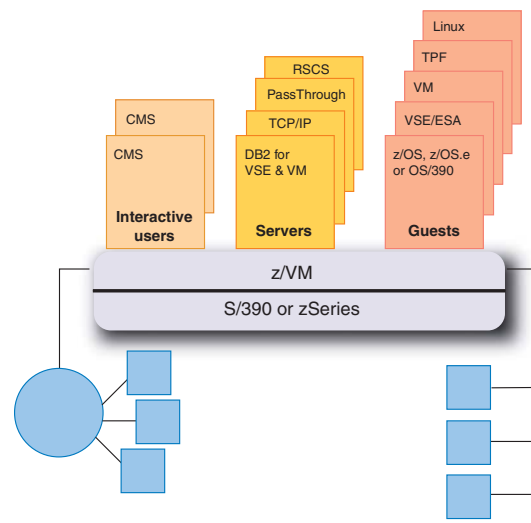
- Provides all the benefits and expands the capabilities of VM/ESA

- Exploits z/Architecture to support 64-bit guest operating systems and provides constraint relief when running on an IBM zSeries 990 (z990), and 890 (z890), and z900 (z900), or 800 (z800) server
- Provides the capability to run 64-bit and ESA/390 (31-bit) guest operating systems concurrently
- QDIO with OSA-Express Gigabit and 1000BASE-T Ethernet

(See z/VM V3.1 General Information – GC24-5944)

z/VM concurrently supports many different virtual machines, each running its own operating environment (as a “guest” operating system) in complete security and isolation.

Note: z/OS.e is available only in LPAR mode on the IBM @server zSeries 800 and 890 and must run in a logical partition, either alone or as a guest of z/VM. You may not run z/OS or OS/390 as a guest of a z/VM system in which z/OS.e is also a guest.



### **A solution that builds on VM strengths**

- *Virtualization technology*
- *Guest operating system support*
- *Extensive connectivity options*
- *Linux server consolidation platform*
- *CMS interactive support*
- *Server support*
- *Client/server workstation synergy*
- *Open distributed computing*
- *Ideal Web serving platform*
- *Wide range of environments and applications*

For a complete list of publications available, refer to the z/VM Web site at:

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### **z/VM supports a wide range of industry standards**

- *Networking protocols and connections, languages, programming and graphical user interfaces (GUI)*
- *POSIX support*

### **z/VM manages the enterprise**

- *Dynamic system configuration capabilities*
  - *Help reduce planned and unplanned outages*
- *DFSMS/VM provides automated data management for Shared File System (SFS), POSIX Byte File System (BFS) files, and minidisk restructuring*
  - *Provides interfaces for Tivoli Storage Manager™ (TSM) tape library usage*
  - *Allows VSE/ESA™ or z/VSE™ guest access to automated tape libraries containing 3480, 3490, 3590, and 3592 devices*
  - *Support for near 1 TB SCSI disks with the PTFs for APAR VM63664*

### **z/VM embraces the latest technology**

#### **z/VM Version 5 Release 2 provides:**

- *Enhanced exploitation of real memory beyond 2 GB*
- *Enhanced performance assists for cooperating z/VM guests using OSA-Express, FCP, and HiperSockets*
- *Definition and operation of FCP-attached SCSI disks with capacities near 1 TB with the PTFs for APARs VM63700 (DirMaint) and (DFSMS/VM) VM63664*
- *Support for the z9-109*
  - *Crypto Express2 Accelerator for SSL acceleration*
  - *Support for OSA-Express2 OSN (OSA for NCP)*
  - *Improved FCP channel utilization and sharing among operating system images with NPIV support*
  - *Up to 60 logical partitions*
- *Dynamic addition/deletion of logical partition names*
- *Support for the IBM TotalStorage DS4000 Midrange Disk Systems*

#### **z/VM Version 5 Release 1 provides:**

- *Deployment of a Linux server farm on z/VM using only FCP-attached SCSI disks*
- *Definition and operation of FCP-attached SCSI disks with capacities near 1 TB with the PTFs for APARs VM63700 (DirMaint) and VM63664 (DFSMS/VM)*
- *Reduced dependence on tape with installation from DVD*
- *Improved availability by swapping from faulty disks using the new HyperSwap command*
- *Improved cryptographic performance with PCIXCC support for Linux and z/OS guests*
- *Improved security with Linux on System z9 and zSeries and z/OS guest support for Crypto Express2*
- *Enhanced network recovery with virtual switch failover support*
- *New Systems Management APIs implemented using Version 2 (V2) of the RPC server*



- Support for the z9-109 with PTFs for APARs VM63646, VM63721, VM63743, VM63744, VM63722, OA11650, and VM63740
    - Crypto Express2 Accelerator for SSL acceleration
    - Support for OSA-Express2 OSN (OSA for NCP)
    - Improved FCP channel utilization and sharing among operating system images with NPIV support
    - Up to 60 logical partitions
  - Support for the z990 and z890:
    - Up to four LCSSs on the z990 and up to two on the z890
    - Transparent sharing of spanned internal and external channels across LCSSs
    - Support for the OSA-Express Integrated Console Controller
    - More flexible data transfer with virtual switch exploitation of layer 2 support for OSA-Express and OSA-Express2 with the PTFs for APARs VM63538 and PQ97436
    - Support for OSA-Express2 GbE and 10 GbE
    - Support the increase in the number of TCP/IP stacks with the PTFs for APARs VM63524 and PQ91421
    - Provides additional connections to help enable more virtual machines to be connected to an external network with the PTFs for APARs VM63524 and PQ91421
    - Support for FICON Express2 that can double the channel capacity and help increase performance
    - Additional security for SCSI devices in a z/VM environment with Linux guests through support of FCP LUN access control with the PTF for APAR VM63328
    - Support for up to 24 processors per z/VM image on a z990 server
    - Improvements to Capacity Upgrade on Demand
  - Use of SCSI disks by guests that support FBA disks up to 361 GB in size, without requiring their own SCSI support
  - Support for the IBM TotalStorage DS8000 Series with the PTF for APAR VM63534
  - Support for DS6000 Series with the PTF for APAR VM63535
  - Capability to route IPv6 packets and develop IPv6 applications
- z/VM Version 4 Release 4 added:**
- Support for z990 functions are designed to provide:
    - Greater scalability with four LCSSs
    - Transparent sharing of HiperSockets channels across LCSSs
    - Improved FCP channel utilization and sharing among operating system images with NPIV support
    - Facilities to extend I/O measurements
    - Twice the number of LPARs (30)
    - Performance assist to help boost guest performance
  - Definition and dynamic reconfiguration of hardware I/O via graphical interface
  - Increased flexibility and connectivity with support for cascaded FICON directors
  - Guest IPL from SCSI FCP disks for Linux
  - IEEE Virtual LAN (VLAN) support
  - TCP/IP broadcast support for HiperSockets and OSA-Express adapter
  - Virtual FICON CTCA support
  - Support for IBM for Enterprise Storage Server (ESS) PPRC-XD and PPRC V2
  - Support for IBM ESS FlashCopy V2
  - Support for IBM Enterprise Tape Controller 3592 Model J70 and Tape Drive 3592 Model J1A

**z/VM Version 4 Release 3 added:**

- Guest use of an FCP channel on zSeries processors connected to a fibre-channel fabric to access selected devices on SCSI controllers connected to the fabric
- I/O management facilities exploiting the hardware I/O Priority Queuing facility to prioritize guest and host I/O operations
- Virtualized automated shutdown enabling z/VM 4.3 guests to shut themselves down when signaled to do so
- Sharing of the same tape device among multiple z/VM guests
- Support for up to 32,760-cylinders on 3390 volumes on the IBM ESS
- Extended guest LAN implementation to support multicast transmission with HiperSockets
- Broadcast capability within the QDIO architecture

**z/VM Version 4 Release 2 added:**

- HiperSockets, the high-speed internal TCP/IP network, and OSA-Express Token-Ring support
- Guest coupling duplex support for the duplexing capabilities of the zSeries Coupling Facility
- Guest support for FICON CTCA communications
- Clear-key RSA support of the IBM PCI Cryptographic Accelerator for Linux guests
- Improved DASD and minidisk cache access performance for 64-bit guests

**z/VM Version 4 Release 1 provided:**

- VM function available in Version 3 except DCE, LANRES/VM, and Vector Facility
- Support for the IBM z900 and z800 (in z/Architecture and ESA/390 modes), the S/390® G5 and G6, and the S/390 Multiprise® 3000 servers

- Support for IFL engines on z990, z900, z890, and z800, the S/390 G5 and G6, and the S/390 Multiprise 3000 servers
- One-time charge (OTC) priced per-engine
- Consolidation of Linux workload on a single physical server
- Improved I/O performance for Linux guests
- Enhanced page fault support for Linux guests

**z/VM Version 3 Release 1 provided:**

- Supports all models of the IBM zSeries including the z800 (except 0LF model) and z900 in ESA/390 and z/Architecture modes, S/390 Parallel Enterprise Server™ Generation 5 (G5) and 6 (G6), and the S/390 Multiprise 3000. Also supported are the S/390 Parallel Enterprise Server R2, R3, Generation 3, and Generation 4 models, S/390 Multiprise 2000, S/390 Integrated Server, PC Server System/390®, and the RS/6000® with System/390 Server-on-Board.
- Extended distance and improved data rate with Enterprise Systems Connection Architecture® (ESCON®)
- Additional extended distance and improved data rate with Fibre Connection (FICON) architecture
- Enabled for Internet and intranet access
- Hardware data compression
- Support of the IBM ESS
- OSA-Express support
- Improved performance, capacity, and availability with support for IBM RAMAC® Array Family
- Capacity Upgrade on Demand (CUoD) architecture
- Multiple Preferred Guests with Processor Resource/Systems Manager™ (PR/SM™) function

- Extensive use of ESA/390 architecture for data in memory
  - High-performance, sharable virtual disk in storage
  - VM Data Spaces utilization for high-performance data access
  - Minidisk caching of CMS and guest data
- z/Architecture to support 64-bit guest operating systems
- Pageable guests up to 256 GB
- Native FlashCopy for the IBM TotalStorage Disks
- QDIO with OSA-Express Gigabit and Fast Ethernet, ATM and Token-Ring adapters
- Guest enhancements for the IBM TotalStorage Virtual Tape Server (VTS)
- Guest and native support for FICON-attached IBM TotalStorage Enterprise Tape Controller 3590 Model A60
  - Helps reduce problems in scheduling test and production time
  - Helps reduce training expense and reduce risk to production operations through operator training with virtual configurations
  - Additional options for disaster recovery
- z/VM V5 supports the Parallel Sysplex guest environment on all models of the IBM z9-109, z990, z900, z890, and z800 servers. In addition, z/VM V4 includes support for this environment on all models of the IBM S/390 Parallel Enterprise Server Generation 5 and 6 and S/390 Multiprise 3000 servers. z/VM V3.1 includes support for the S/390 Parallel Enterprise Server Generation 3 and 4 and the S/390 Multiprise 2000 servers.

#### **z/VM for running Parallel Sysplex system environments**

- OS/390, z/OS, and z/OS.e Parallel Sysplex® system environments as z/VM guests
- Virtual Coupling Facility (CF) support:
  - Faster deployment of new Parallel Sysplex systems through testing with virtual sysplexes
  - Real hardware coupling facilities and coupling links neither required nor supported
  - Coupling facility duplexing with System z9 and zSeries
  - Allows VM/ESA or z/VM systems hosting sysplexes to run as second-level (or higher) guests
  - Help reduce risk in running new applications for OS/390, z/OS, or z/OS.e releases

#### **z/VM encompasses many uses**

- Flexible, cost-effective guest environments
- Ideally-suited for on demand business
- Consolidation of select UNIX, Windows and Linux workloads onto a single physical server
- Data and application serving Internet/intranet users
- Rich application development environment

#### **z/VM for On Demand Business**

- Access to enterprise data and applications through TCP/IP NFS
- Enterprise Web serving through IBM Business Partner products working cooperatively with z/VM
- Reusable Server Kernel (RSK) for vendors and application programmers to write multithreaded server programs

### **VM installation and service tools**

- *Virtual Machine Serviceability Enhancements Staged/Extended (VMSES/E) available for:*
  - *Installation of z/VM, IBM Licensed Products, and vendor products in VMSES/E format*
  - *Allows the service disks of the z/VM components to reside in SFS*
  - *Application of z/VM service*
    - *CORrective service (COR)*
    - *Recommended Service Upgrades (RSU)*
- *z/VM installation and service available on CD-ROM (except z/VM V5.2)*
- *Installation available on 3590-formatted tapes and DVD*
- *Order z/VM products and service using ShopzSeries*
- *Internet delivery of z/VM SDO licensed products*

To learn more about ShopzSeries:

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### **CMS application multitasking**

- *Applications can be divided to handle work in parallel*
- *Application throughput can be improved*
- *POSIX exploits CMS multitasking*
- *CMS Pipelines support the use of CMS multitasking*

### **CMS Pipelines**

- *Programmer productivity tool for simple creation of powerful, reusable REXX and Assembler programs and Common Gateway Interface (CGI) scripts for Web servers*

### **Data-in-memory exploitation**

- *Virtual disk in storage provides fast access to data in memory*
- *Minidisk caching boosts performance with caching in central and/or expanded storage*
- *VM Data Spaces allow applications in virtual machines to create additional VM Data Spaces of 2 gigabytes, up to 2 terabytes total*

### **Callable Services Library (CSL)**

- *Improved application development productivity*
- *REXX and other high-level languages can use z/VM services, such as requesting Shared File System functions*
- *Interfaces to use VM data spaces*
- *Interfaces to POSIX functions for CMS users and applications*

## CMS Interactive Support

### CMS Binder/Loader for z/VM

- *Enhanced application affinity between CMS and OS/390, z/OS, or z/OS.e*
- *The CMS binder*
  - *Creates and utilizes data spaces if the user is authorized*
  - *Converts object or load modules, or program objects, into a program object and stores the program object in a partitioned data set extended (PDSE) program library*
  - *Converts object or load modules, or program objects, into a load module and stores the load module in a partitioned data set (PDS) program library*
  - *Converts object or load modules, or program objects, into an executable program in virtual storage and executes the program*
- *The CMS loader*
  - *Increases the services of the program fetch component by adding support for loading program objects*
  - *Reads both program objects and load modules into virtual storage and prepares them for execution*

### VMLINK

- *User productivity enhancer for linking minidisks and SFS directories*
- *Rewritten for improved serviceability in z/VM*

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## VM Server Support

### VM Data Spaces

- *Offers capabilities unique to zSeries family*
- *Provides high speed transfer and data access between virtual machines, improving throughput and response times*
- *Allows applications to address multiple 2 GB data spaces*
- *Supports data sharing between a server and multiple users*
- *Provides an application programming interface and Callable Services Library routines, exploited by DB2® for VSE and VM, SFS and FORTRAN*
  - *Enables customers and vendors to develop applications using VM Data Spaces*
  - *Makes development process easier*

### z/VM Shared File System (SFS)

- *Allows read/write sharing at the file level*
  - *Sharable within one system or across multiple systems*
  - *Provides file security through authorization scheme*
- *Improves performance*
  - *Utilizes minidisk caching in main or expanded storage*
  - *Exploits VM Data Spaces*
- *Improves usage of direct access storage devices (DASD)*
  - *Data stored in file pools*
  - *Logical vs. physical allocation of data blocks*
  - *Unused blocks available to any user of file pool*

- Improves productivity
  - Organizes files in hierarchical directories
  - Supports aliases for file names
  - Provides single application interface via CSL routines for SFS and minidisk data
- Simplifies system administration
  - Provides file pool backup and file-level restore
  - Provides dynamic expansion of file space for users
  - Provides dynamic expansion of DASD to file pool
  - Allocates file pool DASD space vs. individual minidisks
  - Allows the same administration tools to be used for POSIX hierarchical byte file system files
- Uses Coordinated Resource Recovery
  - Coordinates updates to multiple file pools
  - More easily developed distributed applications, with system coordination of data integrity
- Enables access to distributed data
  - Transparent access to remote data
- Allows CMS users and applications to access the POSIX hierarchical byte file system
- SFS shuts down automatically when the z/VM Control Program (CP) is shutdown

- Provides a high-performance data mover
  - Enables fast migration to new storage devices
  - 1 TB SCSI disk support
- Includes Interactive Storage Management Facility (ISMF)
  - Provides consistent interface for VM, OS/390 or z/OS storage administrators
  - Assists in managing minidisk data
- Manages IBM TotalStorage Virtual Tape Server (VTS) 3494 tape libraries containing 3480, 3490, 3590, and 3592 drives
  - Includes support for Write Once Read Many (WORM) data cartridges
- Provides the capability for a tape-librarian product to communicate with an automated tape library
- Provides automated tape library access for VSE guests
- Supplied with the z/VM V3 and V4 base
  - Orderable no-charge feature available with the z/VM V5 SDO

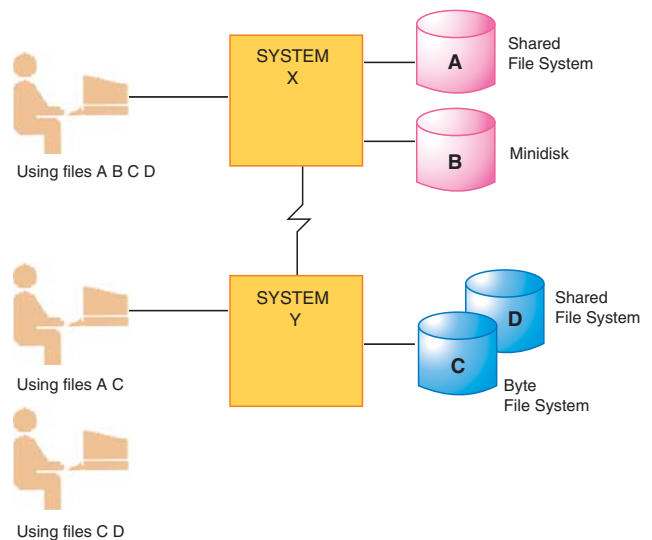
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### DFSMS/VM

- Provides automated space management
  - Space management for Shared File and Byte File System files
  - Migration, recall and expiration of active and inactive data
  - Archive/restore of SFS files to tape with Tivoli® Storage Manager



## Guest Operating System Support

### Linux on System z9 and zSeries guest benefits

- Consolidation of Linux workloads on a single physical server
  - Multiple Linux images on a z/VM system running IFLs without affecting IBM software charges for existing non-IFL System z9 and zSeries engines on the same physical hardware server
- Enhanced exploitation of real memory beyond 2 GB
- Shared DASD resources creating a server farm within a single machine
- More Linux images operating concurrently with reduced contention on the VM scheduler lock for better performance
- High-performance networking among virtual machines
- Upgraded SSL server for improved operation and support for additional Linux distributions
- Support for OSA-Express2 OSN (OSA for NCP)
- Enhanced performance assists for cooperating z/VM guests using OSA-Express, FCP, and HiperSockets
- Improved problem determination for guest LANs and virtual switches
- Guest support for dedicated QDIO devices (HiperSockets, OSA-Express, and FCP channels)
- Attachment of SCSI devices using the System z9 and zSeries FCP adapter
  - Support of FCP full fabric connectivity for shared links and improved fiber cable infrastructure utilization
  - Guest IPL from SCSI FCP disks on servers equipped with the SCSI IPL Feature Enabler
  - Deploy a Linux server farm on z/VM using only SCSI FCP disks
- Improved performance of z/VM Control Program (CP) use of SCSI disk I/O
- Improved FCP channel utilization and sharing among operating system images with NPIV support
- z/VM HyperSwap function to help provide a coordinated near-continuous availability and disaster recovery solution for distributed applications, such as WebSphere®, that can span z/OS images running natively and Linux guests running under z/VM
- Publication for deploying Linux on System z9 and zSeries with z/VM
- Performance Toolkit enhancements to add new high-level Linux reports and monitor records
- Simplified systems management using facilities provided by z/VM
- Systems management APIs for client applications to allocate and manage resources for virtual machines
- Handling of unexpected workload growth by the quick addition of Linux virtual machines as needed
- Enhanced device support, such as virtual disks and peer-to-peer remote copy for Linux systems
- More flexible data transfer with virtual switch exploitation of Layer 2 support for OSA-Express and OSA-Express2
- Increased number of TCP/IP stacks
- With corresponding function from Linux on System z9 and zSeries, Linux guest virtual machines may benefit from:
  - Enhanced page-fault handling
  - Guest support for the IBM PCI Cryptographic Coprocessor (PCICC on the z800/z900) or the IBM PCI Cryptographic Accelerator (PCICA)
    - Shared-queue support for clear-key cryptographic functions

- Guest support for the PCIX Cryptographic Coprocessor (PCIXCC) feature
  - Dedicated-queue and shared-queue support for clear-key cryptographic functions
  - Guest support for the Crypto Express2 feature (coprocessor and accelerator)
    - Dedicated-queue and shared-queue support for clear-key cryptographic functions
- Improved DASD-access performance with minidisk cache
- Facilities to back up all Linux data providing a single backup solution for all Linux servers
- Strong tracing, diagnostic and debugging facilities
- Access to a large number of Linux applications

#### **z/VSE and VSE/ESA guest benefits**

- A state-of-the-art platform for combining the best of VSE core applications with new workloads that exploit Linux on System z9 and zSeries
- Outstanding operational flexibility, simplicity, and productivity:
  - Multiple specialized VSE guests for test, development, release-to-release transition
  - Multiple production VSE guests for system simplicity
  - Integration of VSE and Linux guests for server consolidation and new workloads, including WebSphere Application Server
- Improved performance with:
  - Virtual disk-in-storage exploitation, for example, shared lock file

- Minidisk caching in expanded and main storage
- DB2 for VSE & VM data sharing for improved performance
- IBM TotalStorage Virtual Tape Server 3494 automated tape library access

#### **OS/390, z/OS, and z/OS.e guest benefits**

- Parallel Sysplex support for guests within a single VM image
  - Virtual Coupling Facility support to allow VM/ESA or z/VM systems to run as first or second-level, or higher guests while simulating complete OS/390 and/or z/OS coupled sysplexes
- z/VM HyperSwap function to help provide a coordinated near-continuous availability and disaster recovery solution for distributed applications, such as WebSphere, that can span z/OS images running natively and Linux guests running under z/VM
- Guest support for the PCICA feature
  - Dedicated-queue support for clear-key cryptographic functions
- Guest support for the PCICC (z800/z900) feature
  - Dedicated-queue support for clear-key and secure-key cryptographic functions
- Guest support for the PCIXCC (z890/z990) feature
  - Dedicated-queue support for clear-key and secure-key cryptographic functions
- Guest support for the Crypto Express2 feature
  - Dedicated-queue support for clear-key and secure-key cryptographic functions



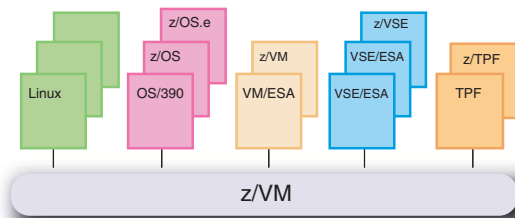
## Performance

### Support for z/Architecture and ESA/390-mode operating systems

- Performance assist support
  - Adapter interruption performance assist for QDIO<sup>1</sup>
  - QDIO Enhanced Buffer State Management (QEBSM) and Host Page Management Assist (HPMA)<sup>2</sup>
- Tens to hundreds of guests for migration, testing, production and development
- Virtual device support
- Shared and dedicated resources
- Debugging and trace facilities for guest systems
- 64-bit guest operating systems including z/OS, z/OS.e and Linux on System z9 and zSeries

Notes:

- 1) Performance assist is available only on the z9-109, z990, and z890 servers
- 2) QEBSM and HPMA is supported by z/VM V5.2 and is exclusive to z9-109



Note: z/OS.e is available only in LPAR mode on the z890 or z800 and must run in a logical partition, either alone or as a guest of z/VM. You may not run z/OS or OS/390 as a guest of a z/VM system in which z/OS.e is also a guest per licensing agreements of z/OS.e.

z/VM offers many features that can be used to help improve performance. A number of these features work by keeping frequently used data in memory, thus significantly reducing repeated I/O for the same data. The reduction in I/O can result in faster response times, improved processor efficiency and reduced load on the I/O subsystem. Minidisk caching and virtual disk in storage are two examples of the use of data-in-memory techniques in z/VM.

The degree of benefit varies with the frequency of system workload I/O that applies to these techniques, data-reference patterns, DASD configuration, storage availability, and other factors.

To learn more about z/VM performance:

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## Connectivity Options

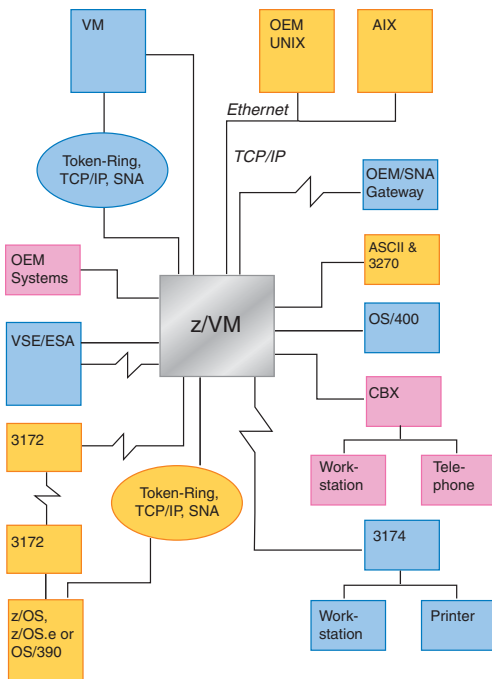
### Networking options

z/VM provides a wide range of networking and connectivity options and adheres to many of the industry standards, enabling communications across distributed heterogeneous environments. Examples include:

- SNA
- BSC
- TCP/IP
- X.25
- Token-Ring
- Ethernet (Gbe, 10 Gbe, and 1000BASE-T)
- X-Windows
- Network File Systems
- Simple Mail Transfer Protocol
- IP Multicast
- X.400 mail exchange protocol
- NJE

### Network management

- SNA and TCP/IP networks



## Communication Products

### TCP/IP for z/VM V5.2 Level 520

- All functions available in TCP/IP for z/VM for z/VM V5.1 plus:
  - SSL server support for Red Hat and additional SUSE LINUX distributions
  - Improved problem determination for guest LANs and virtual switches
  - Enhanced dynamic routing capabilities with a new MPRoute server

Note: Operates with z/VM V5.2

### TCP/IP for z/VM V5.1 Level 510

- All functions available in TCP/IP for z/VM Level 440 plus:
  - Enhanced virtual switch support to provide failover support which can provide less disruptive recovery from some common network failures
  - More flexible data transfer with virtual switch exploitation of Layer 2 support for OSA-Express and OSA-Express2 with the PTFs for APARs VM63538 and PQ97436
  - Support the increase in the number of TCP/IP stacks with the PTFs for APARs VM63524 and PQ91421 to provide additional connections to enable more virtual machines to be connected to an external network
  - Enhanced authorization capabilities for z/VM guest LANs and virtual switches by RACF or any External Security Manager that supports this new authorization function.
  - IPv6 support to allow the z/VM TCP/IP stack to be configured for IPv6 networks connected through OSA-Express and OSA-Express2 operating in QDIO mode

Note: Operates with z/VM V5.1

(See z/VM TCP/IP User's Guide – SC24-6127)

### **TCP/IP for z/VM V4.4 Level 440**

- All functions available in TCP/IP for z/VM Level 430 plus:
  - Better performance through the use of the performance assist function of the z990 server
  - Helps enable membership in a IEEE VLAN for OSA-Express (QDIO) and HiperSockets adapters
  - Virtual IP switches acting as routers providing IPv4 connectivity to a physical LAN
  - Support to propagate broadcast frames to all TCP/IP applications using HiperSockets or OSA-Express adapters
  - Improved performance and security of the TCP/IP stack
  - IMAP user authentication exit that removes prior user ID and password length restrictions,
  - Upgraded SSL server provides appropriate Red Hat Package Manager (RPM) packages for the SUSE LINUX SLES 8

Note: Operates with z/VM V4.4

(See z/VM TCP/IP User's Guide – SC24-6020-02)

### **TCP/IP for z/VM Level 430**

- All functions available in TCP/IP for z/VM Level 420 plus:
  - Guest-LAN implementation extended to support multi-cast transmission across HiperSockets Guest LANs
  - Improved performance of the TCP/IP stack by:
    - redesigning algorithms to reduce path-lengths
    - recoding procedures to optimize high-use paths
    - identifying and implementing performance improvement items
  - Additional prevention of types of DoS attacks have been implemented including Kiss of Death (KOD), KOX, Blat, SynFlood, Stream, and R4P3D

– Ease-of-use enhancements include:

- TCP/IP configuration wizard to automate the connection of a newly installed z/VM system to a TCP/IP-based network
- dynamic configuration of TCP/IP and optional generation of syntactically-correct configuration statements

Note: Operates with z/VM V4.3

(See z/VM TCP/IP Level 430 User's Guide – SC24-6020-01)

### **TCP/IP for z/VM Level 420**

- All functions available in TCP/IP for z/VM Level 3A0 plus:
  - Guest LAN capability designed to allow a VM guest to install a virtual HiperSockets adapter for interconnection of virtual machines
  - IMAP Server supporting the IMAP Version 4 Revision 1 (IMAP4rev1) mail server for storing and serving electronic mail
  - Improved TCP/IP stack security helps prevent some types of Denial of Service (DoS) attacks (Smurf, Fraggle, Ping-o-Death)

Note: Operates with z/VM V4.2

(See z/VM TCP/IP Level 420 User's Guide – SC24-6020-00)

### **TCP/IP feature for z/VM Level 3A0 and TCP/IP for z/VM**

- All functions available in TCP/IP feature for VM/ESA FL320 plus:
  - Improved security with the inclusion of a Secure Sockets Layer (SSL) server
  - Transparent data access to remote systems data with an NFS Client
  - Capability and usability improvements to FTP server for Web browsers

- Better TCP/IP efficiency with the MPROUTE server
- Reduced load on hosts with support for IP Multicasting
- Improved data transfer performance with QDIO supporting Gigabit Ethernet, Fast Ethernet, and 155 ATM (Ethernet LAN Emulation)

Note: Operates with z/VM V3.1 and V4.1

(See z/VM TCP/IP User's Guide – SC24-5982-00)

To learn more about TCP/IP for z/VM:

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[ibm.com/eserver/zseries/zvm/related/tcpip](http://ibm.com/eserver/zseries/zvm/related/tcpip)

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#### **ACF/VTAM Version 4 Release 2 for VM/ESA**

- Enhanced growth and constraint relief
- Increased number of users connected to a single VTAM® image
- Larger, more functional, less complex networks
- APPN® capability
- Provides Low End Networking (LEN) communications to all nodes
- Better interconnection with multivendor networks
- Increased performance for on-line transaction processing
- Improved client/server access
- More flexible access to applications and resources across multiple platforms

(See VTAM V4.2 for VM/ESA Release Guide – GC31-8089)

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#### **RSCS Version 3 Release 2**

- Unsolicited File Transfer (UFT) client and daemon support
- Processes NJE data traffic over TCP/IP, SNA, Bisynchronous, or directly-attached systems (CTCA, ESCON and FICON)
- Provides print support to TCP/IP printer daemon in text and PostScript format

- Supports ASCII printers attached to protocol converters or by TCP/IP connection
- Enables RSCS server to be the z/VM daemon to the TCP/IP world
- Enables the z/VM printer daemon to access any printer attached directly or indirectly to the NJE or TCP/IP network
- Provides API interface to code your own device drivers for RSCS
- Easy to customize, maintain and use

(See VM RSCS General Information Guide – GH24-5218)

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#### **VM/Pass-Through Facility Version 2**

- Multisession support for CMS and dialed users
- Auto sign-on support
- ESCON, FICON, FICON Express2, TCP/IP, APPC, IUCV, CTCA, 3088, Bisynchronous connectivity options
- Gateway access to SNA network
- Connectivity to other VM, z/OS, z/OS.e, VSE and AIX® systems
- Provides automated session operations
- Transparent, seamless solutions for end-users
- Sharing a single session between multiple workstations
- Can help provide low-cost workstation support for VSE guest virtual machines
- Screen-capture capabilities
- Direct support for SDLC terminal control units
- Cross-system IUCV support provides communications path for applications on separate VM systems to use IUCV protocols

(See VM/Pass-Through Facility Users Guide – SC24-5555)

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## z/VM Decision Support

VM has multiple offerings that enable the end user to transform business data into timely and accurate business decisions.

### DB2 Server for VSE & VM

- Can help improve productivity with Stored Procedures
- Exploits DRDA® 2 in application server for accessibility to data on local or remote systems
- DB2 access over a TCP/IP network from DRDA requesters
- Increased database availability with Incremental Archive
- Optional QMF™ and QMF for Windows features
- Enables database switching
- Allows multiple read-only users access to all data
- Provides VM database access from VSE system
- Recovery of databases at the table and storage pool level
- Supports VM Data Spaces
- Optional database administration feature

(See DB2 Server for VSE & VM Overview – GC09-2995)

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[ibm.com/software/data/db2/vse-vm/](http://ibm.com/software/data/db2/vse-vm/)

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### Query Management Facility (QMF) Feature

- Provides easy-to-use workstation GUI interfaces
- Powerful query and report writer for DB2 data
- Client/server capabilities for the workstation environment
- Processes both relational and non-relational data
- Connect to DB2 for Linux on System z9 and zSeries as an application server

(See Using QMF 7.2 – SC27-0716, and QMF 7.2 Reference Guide – SC27-0715)

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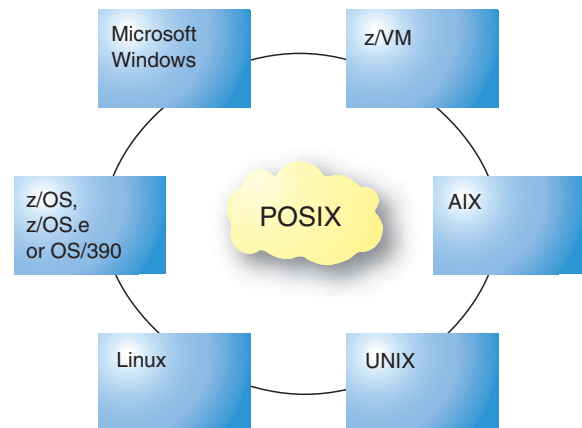
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## Open Computing

### POSIX standards

- Extends portability and provides standards-based application-development services
- Defines basic operating-system interfaces and behavior
- POSIX 1003.1c threads – Provide a general set of services for developing multitasking server applications that support multiple, concurrent execution streams
  - POSIX 1003.1c
  - POSIX 1003.1 and POSIX 1003.1a
  - POSIX 1003.2 – Shell and Utilities
- POSIX hierarchical byte file system support by CMS and SFS enables access by heterogeneous systems across LANs and WANs

(See z/VM OpenExtensions Users Guide — SC24-6108)



Notes:

- 1) The OpenExtensions Shell and Utilities, previously a priced optional feature of VM/ESA, is packaged with z/VM at no additional charge
- 3) DCE is not available in z/VM V4 and later

## ***z/VM System Management Products***

### **Performance Toolkit for VM optional feature of z/VM**

Provides enhanced capabilities for a z/VM systems programmer, operator, or analyst to monitor and report performance data:

- *Full-screen-mode system-console operation*
- *Management of multiple z/VM systems (local or remote)*
- *Post-processing of Performance Toolkit for VM history files and of VM monitor data captured by the MONWRITE utility*
- *Performance monitoring*
- *Viewing of performance monitor data using either Web browsers or PC-based 3270 emulator graphics*
- *TCP/IP performance reporting*
- *Processes Linux performance data obtained from RMF which can be viewed and printed similar to the way VM data is viewed and presented*
- *New reports for Linux and SCSI FCP disks,*
- *Functional equivalence to PRF and RTM*

(See z/VM: Performance Toolkit for VM - SC24-6062 for V4 or SC24-6136 for V5)

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### **Directory Maintenance (DirMaint) for VM Version 1 Release 5 and the DirMaint optional feature of z/VM V4 or V5**

- *Provides a security-rich interactive facility for maintaining the system directory*
- *Simplified user administration with the coordination of DirMaint and RACF changes with z/VM V5.2*

- *Improved directory management performance with z/VM V5.2*
- *Provides distributed administration*
- *Provides commands and exits to support new functions*
- *Supports Systems Management APIs*
- *Supports the Shared File System*
- *Enables VMSES/E installation and service*

(See DirMaint 1.5 General Information Manual – GC20-1836 or the DirMaint Facility Tailoring and Administration Guide – SC24-6024 for V4 or SC24-6135 for V5)

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### **Resource Access Control Facility (RACF) optional feature of z/VM V4 or V5**

RACF helps meet the need for security by providing:

- *Flexible control of access to protected resources*
- *Protection of installation-defined resources*
- *Ability to store information for other products*
- *Choice of centralized or decentralized control of profiles*
- *Transparency to end users*

(See RACF General Information — GC28-0722)

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[ibm.com/eserver/zseries/zos/racf/vm.html](http://ibm.com/eserver/zseries/zos/racf/vm.html)

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### **CMS Utilities Feature (CUF)**

- *Integrated into z/VM Version 4 at no additional charge*
- *Complements the CMS interactive support*
- *Can increase the productivity of your local operations*
  - *Provides tools and services that simplify and enhance the operation of CP and CMS environments for end users and application developers*
  - *Provides fully-supported commands, EXECs and applications that would otherwise need to be created locally*

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### **Host Management Facilities/VM**

- *Monitors subsystems and applications to help reduce outages*
- *Coordinates and simplifies performance analysis*
- *Enables increased console automation*
- *Manages local and remote systems*
- *Enables automation of subsystem and application management*
- *VMSES/E installation and service enabled*

(See Host Management Facilities/VM General Information Manual – SC24-5612)

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### **RTM VM/ESA Version 1 Release 5.3 and the RTM optional feature for z/VM V4 FL410 RealTime Monitor of z/VM systems, including 64-bit architecture support**

- *Used for performance analysis and installation - management of z/VM environments*

- *31-bit enabled, allowing RTM to address storage above 16 MB*
- *Elimination of 370-accommodation requirement*
- *Improved initialization control with the availability of an external configuration file which can be used to:*
  - *Establish table sizes, reducing the need for local modifications and recompilations*
  - *Provide an initial interface for specific commands, helping to eliminate the need for RTMINIT processing*
- *Query command updated to provide:*
  - *Service level of executable RTM parts using the new LEVEL operand*
  - *Storage addresses of dynamically-allocated tables using the new TABLES operand*
  - *System information, such as the CP and CMS levels, hardware level, and installed features using the new ENVIRON operand*
- *RTM Version 1 Release 5.3 operates on on V3.1 but not on V4 or V5*
- *RTM is not available with z/VM V5.1*

(See RTM VM/ESA Program Description/Operations – SH26-7000 for z/VM 3.1 or the RTM FL410 – SC24-6028 for z/VM V4)

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### **VM Performance Reporting Facility (VMPRF) Version 1 Release 2 and the PRF optional feature of z/VM V4 FL410**

- *Produces performance reports and historical files through processing of monitor data*
- *Provides analysis and tuning aids for z/VM systems*

## Configurability

- VMPRF operates on V3.1 but not on V4 or V5
- PRF is not available with z/VM V5.1

(See VM Performance Reporting Facility User's Guide – SC23-0460 for z/VM 3.1 or the z/VM PRF FL410 – SC24-6027 for z/VM V4)

[ibm.com/eserver/zseries/zvm/related/prf](http://ibm.com/eserver/zseries/zvm/related/prf)

### Performance Analysis Facility/VM (VMPAF)

- Offers rapid visualization of system performance via a graphical interface
- Aids in identifying and resolving performance problems and performing capacity management

(See PAF/VM General Information Manual – GC23-0566)

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### Display Management System for CMS (DMS/CMS)

- Provides a convenient mechanism for generating panels and menus for 3270 display terminals
- Provides the ability to utilize the designed screens with any application program

### Additional Product Information

For additional information on the many z/VM technology-related products from IBM and independent software vendors, visit the z/VM Web site at:

[ibm.com/zseries/zvm/products/](http://ibm.com/zseries/zvm/products/)

### Partitioning Options

Virtual	Logical
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#### Number of Images

Many	15 - 60 <sup>1</sup>
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#### Performance

- I/O-assist<sup>3</sup> - high performance for up to 6 preferred guests
- Adapter interruption performance assist<sup>4</sup> for QDIO<sup>3</sup> - high performance for V=V guests (pageable guests) using QDIO
- QDIO performance assists<sup>3</sup>: adapter-interruption passthrough, QEBSM, and HPMA - high performance for V=V guests using QDIO

#### Resources

- Dedicated or shared processors, storage and devices
- Virtual devices
- Dedicated or shared processor
- Dynamic storage reconfiguration
- Dedicated channels, CUs and devices<sup>2</sup>

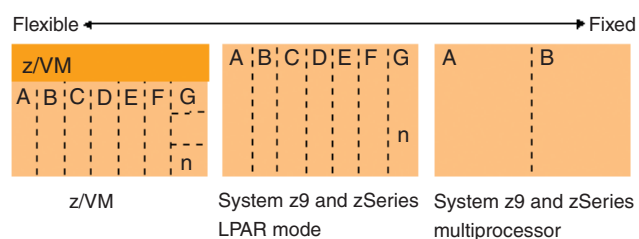
#### Support Requirements

Hardware and Software	Hardware
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#### Reliability

Hardware and Software	Hardware
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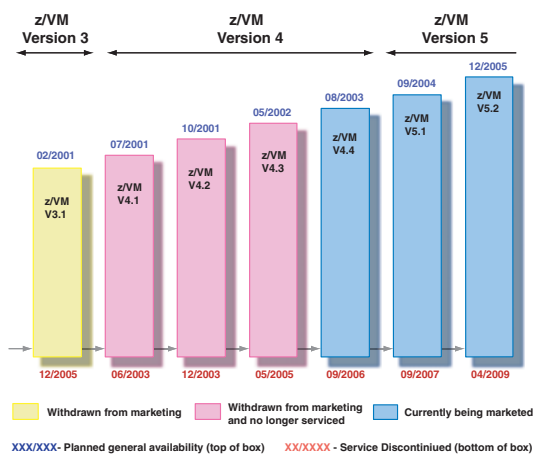
1. Server-dependent (up to 15 on z900 and z800, up to 30 on the z990 or z890, and up to 60 on the z9-109).
2. Channels (except parallel) may be shared on System z9, zSeries and S/390 servers using the Multiple Image Facility (MIF).
3. Adapter-interruption passthrough is available only on z9-109, z990, and z890 servers; QEBSM and HPMA are available only on z9-109.
4. Performance assist is available only on the z9-109, z990, or z890 server.





## VM Evolution

- z/VM Version 3 supports all models of the IBM zSeries including the IBM z800 (except OLF model) and z900 in ESA/390 and z/Architecture modes, S/390 G5, G6, and the S/390 Multiprise 3000. Also supported are the S/390 G3, G4 and the R2 and R3 models, S/390 Multiprise 2000, S/390 Integrated Server, PC Server System/390, and the RS/6000 with System/390 Server-on-Board, or equivalent servers. z/VM V3.1 has been withdrawn from marketing effective August 27, 2004.
- z/VM Version 4 supports the z9-109, z990, z890, z900, and z800 in ESA/390 and z/Architecture mode, S/390 G5, G6, and the S/390 Multiprise 3000, or equivalent servers.
- z/VM Version 4 supports the Integrated Facility for Linux (IFL) engines of the z9-109, z990, z890, z900, z800, S/390 G5, G6, and the S/390 Multiprise 3000, or equivalent servers.
- z/VM Version 3.1 and 4.3 support the z990 and z890 server, or equivalent servers, in ESA/390, z/Architecture, and compatibility mode.
- z/VM Version 5 supports the z9-109, z990, z890, z900, and z800 (standard or IFL engines), or equivalent servers in z/Architecture mode.



## VM Operating System Comparison

VM Function	z/VM V3	z/VM V4	z/VM V5
<b>Function</b>			
APPC/VM	•	•	•
Shared File System	•	•	•
Callable Services Lib.	•	•	•
Cross Systems Extensions	•	•	•
Virtual disk in storage	•	•	•
Enhanced minidisk caching	•	•	•
370 accommodation	•	•	•
CP Exit Facility	•	•	•
Java™ and NetRexx™	•	•	-
Parallel Sysplex simulation	•	•	•
Coupling Facility duplexing <sup>3</sup>	•	•	•
HiperSockets <sup>3</sup>	•	•	•
Guest LAN <sup>3</sup>	•	•	•
Guest LAN Sniffer <sup>7</sup>	-	-	•
New MPRRoute Server <sup>7</sup>	-	-	•
Shared tape for guests <sup>4</sup>	•	•	•
Accounting improvements <sup>4</sup>	-	•	•
Systems Management APIs <sup>5</sup>	-	•	•
VMRM enhancements <sup>5</sup>	-	•	•
Virtual LAN <sup>5</sup>	-	•	•
Virtual switching <sup>5</sup>	-	•	•
HCM and HCD <sup>5</sup>	-	•	•
MQ Interface Client	•	•	•
PCIX Cryptographic Coprocessor <sup>6</sup>	-	-	•
Crypto Express <sup>2</sup>	-	-	•
Dynamic Virtual Machine Timeout <sup>1</sup>	-	-	•
Storage Relief below 2 GB <sup>7</sup>	-	-	•
<b>Central Storage</b>			
32 GB (z890 and z800)	•	•	•
64 GB (z900)	•	•	•
256 GB (z990)	•	•	•
512 GB (z9-109) <sup>5</sup>	-	•	•
<b>Expanded Storage</b>			
Paging	•	•	•
Guest	•	•	•
VM Data Spaces	•	•	•
<b>Virtual Machine Size</b>			
256 GB <sup>1</sup>	•	•	•
<b>I/O</b>			
FICON/ESCON I/O	•	•	•
FICON CTCA <sup>3</sup>	•	•	•
FICON Express <sup>2</sup>	•	•	•
Virtual FICON CTCA <sup>5</sup>	•	•	•
Cascaded FICON Directors <sup>5</sup>	•	•	•
Guest use of FCP <sup>4</sup>	•	•	•
Guest use of SCSI FCP disks <sup>5</sup>	-	•	•
CP use of SCSI FCP disks <sup>6,24</sup>	-	-	•
N-Port Identifier Virtualization <sup>25</sup>	-	•	•
Logical Channel SubSystems <sup>5</sup>	•	•	•

VM Function	z/VM V3	z/VM V4	z/VM V5
<b>Guest Operating System</b>			
S/370™ architecture	•	•	•
370-XA architecture	•	•	•
ESA/390 architecture	•	•	•
z/Architecture	•	•	•
<b>Performance Assists</b>			
I/O Assist <sup>2,20</sup>	•	•	•
Adapter interruption performance assist for QDIOAssist <sup>5,21</sup>	-	•	•
QEBSM and HPMA <sup>7,21</sup>	-	-	•
<b>Systems Supported</b>			
S/390 R2x, R3x	•	-	-
G3 Servers	•	-	-
G4 Servers <sup>#</sup>	•	-	-
G5 Servers <sup>#</sup>	•	•	-
G6 Servers <sup>#</sup>	•	•	-
zSeries 800/890/900/990 Servers <sup>#</sup>	•	•	•
System z9 109 <sup>#,5</sup>	-	•	•
IFL processor feature	-	•	•
S/390 Multiprise 2000	•	-	-
S/390 Multiprise 3000 <sup>#</sup>	•	•	-
S/390 Integrated Server	•	-	-
RS/6000 and S/390 Server-on-Board	•	-	-
PC Server S/390	•	-	-

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### Legend

- 1 Pageable guests only
  - 2 The sum of storage for each of the preferred guests plus the storage required for the VM Control Program cannot exceed 2 GB
  - 3 Supported on z/VM V4.2 and later
  - 4 Supported on z/VM V4.3 and later
  - 5 Supported on z/VM V4.4 and later
  - 6 Supported on z/VM V5.1 and later
  - 7 Supported on z/VM V5.2 and later
  - 20 I/O - assist is not available when z/VM is running in a logical partition. z/VM must be run in a logical partition on the z890 and z990 servers.
  - 21 Adapter-interruption passthrough is available only on z9-109, z990, and z890 servers; QEBSM and HPMA are available only on z9-109
  - 22 Maximum channels on z890
  - 23 Maximum channels on z990
  - 24 Install, IPL, and operation of z/VM V5
  - 25 z/VM V4.4, V5.1, and V5.2 enable guest use of NPIV when FCP sub-channels are dedicated to a guest. V5.1 and V5.2 provide for CP use of NPIV
- Supported
  - Not applicable
  - # No 370 mode execution

## VM Feature Comparison

VM Function	z/VM V3	z/VM V4	z/VM V5
REXX Sockets	•	•	•
31-bit CMS	•	•	•
CMS Pipelines	•	•	•
CMS multitasking	•	•	•
Reusable Server Kernel	•	•	•
POSIX	•	•	•
DCE	•	-	-
Binder/Loader	•	•	•
NFS Client	•	•	•
<b>APPC</b>	•	•	•
<b>Shared File System</b>	•	•	•
VM Data spaces support	•	•	•
Common SFS and minidisk interface	•	•	•
POSIX Byte File System	•	•	•
Automated SFS shutdown <sup>5</sup>	-	•	•
<b>DFSMS/VM</b>	•	•	•
Fast data mover	•	•	•
Space management by policy	•	•	•
Automated tape library support	•	•	•
<b>DB2 for VSE and VM</b>	•	•	•
VM Data spaces	•	•	•
Enhanced Move Page	•	•	•
<b>Operational Enhancements</b>	•	•	•
Simplified system configuration	•	•	•
Alternate nucleus	•	•	•
Fast warm start	•	•	•
Fast spool backup (SPXTAPE)	•	•	•
Dynamic system configuration	•	•	•
Enhanced timer management <sup>4</sup>	-	•	•
Virtual Machine accounting improvements <sup>4</sup>	-	•	•
Systems management APIs <sup>5</sup>	-	•	•
HCD and HCM <sup>5</sup>	-	•	•
VM Resource Manager <sup>4</sup>	-	•	•
Automated shutdown <sup>4</sup>	-	•	•
Installation from DVD	•	-	•
Dynamic LPAR addition/deletion	-	•	•
Directory manager performance improvement <sup>7</sup>	-	-	•
Coordinated DirMaint/RACF changes <sup>7</sup>	-	-	•
<b>Serviceability enhancements</b>	•	•	•
VMSES/E	•	•	•
<b>ShopzSeries</b>	•	•	•
<b>ESCON Architecture</b>	•	•	•
<b>FICON Architecture</b>	•	•	•
<b>Fibre Channel Protocol<sup>4</sup></b>	-	•	•
<b>Device Support</b>	•	•	•
ESS	•	•	•
ESS Large Volume	•	•	•
ESS Peer-to-Peer	•	•	•
Remote Copy - XD	•	•	•
ESS FlashCopy V2 <sup>3</sup>	•	•	•
ESS PPRC V2 <sup>3,20</sup>	•	•	•
FBA DASD	•	•	•
DS4000 <sup>7</sup>	-	-	•
DS6000	-	•	•
DS8000	-	•	•
Internal Disk	<•	<•	-
RAMAC DASD Subsystem	•	•	•
RAMAC Array Subsystem	•	•	•

VM Function	z/VM V	z/VM V4	z/VM V5
3390 DASD	•	•	•
3990 Model 6 MPLF Support	•	•	•
9340 DASD Subsystem	•	•	•
3494 Tape Library Subsystem	•	•	•
3495 Tape Library Dataserver	•	•	•
3590 Tape Drive	•	•	•
3592 Tape Controller (J70)/ Drive (J1A) <sup>4,5</sup>	•	•	•
9348 Tape	•	•	-
3995 Optical Library Dataserver	•	•	-
<b>Minidisk Cache</b>	•	•	•
<b>OSA-2</b>	•	•	•
<b>OSA-Express</b>	•	•	•
1000BASE-T Ethernet	•	•	•
Gigabit Ethernet (GbE)	•	•	•
Token-Ring <sup>3</sup>	•	•	•
Layer 2	-	-	•
<b>OSA-Express2</b>	•	•	•
1000BASE-T Ethernet	•	•	•
Gigabit Ethernet	•	•	•
10 GbE	•	•	•
Layer 2	-	-	•
Up to 640 TCP/IP Stacks	-	-	•
OSA for NCP <sup>7</sup>	-	-	•
<b>System Management Products</b>	•	•	•
HMF	•	•	•
VMPRF	•	-	-
VMPAF	•	•	•
RTM 1.5.3	-	-	-
PRF Feature	-	•	-
RTM Feature	-	•	-
Performance Toolkit for VM <sup>5</sup>	-	•	•
DirMaint	•	-	-
DirMaint Feature	-	•	•
RACF	•	-	-
RACF Feature <sup>4</sup>	-	•	•
<b>Communications</b>	•	•	•
RSCS V3.2.2	•	•	•
ACF/TAM V4.2	•	•	•
TCP/IP for z/VM <sup>2</sup>	-	•	•
TCP/IP Feature for VM	•	-	-
VM Passthrough Facility (PVM)	•	•	•
<b>Additional Features</b>	•	-	-
LANRES	•	-	-
OSA/SF	•	•	•
Shell & Utilities <sup>1</sup>	•	•	•
CMS Utilities <sup>2</sup>	•	•	•
DCE Base Services	•	-	-

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  - 5 Supported on z/VM V4.4 and later
  - 6 Supported on z/VM V5.1 and later
  - 7 Supported on z/VM V5.2 and later
  - 20 Guest use only
  - 21 Withdrawn from Marketing effective August 27, 2004 (EOS announced for 12/2005)
- Supported
  - < Supported on S/390 Multiprise 2000/3000
  - Not applicable



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