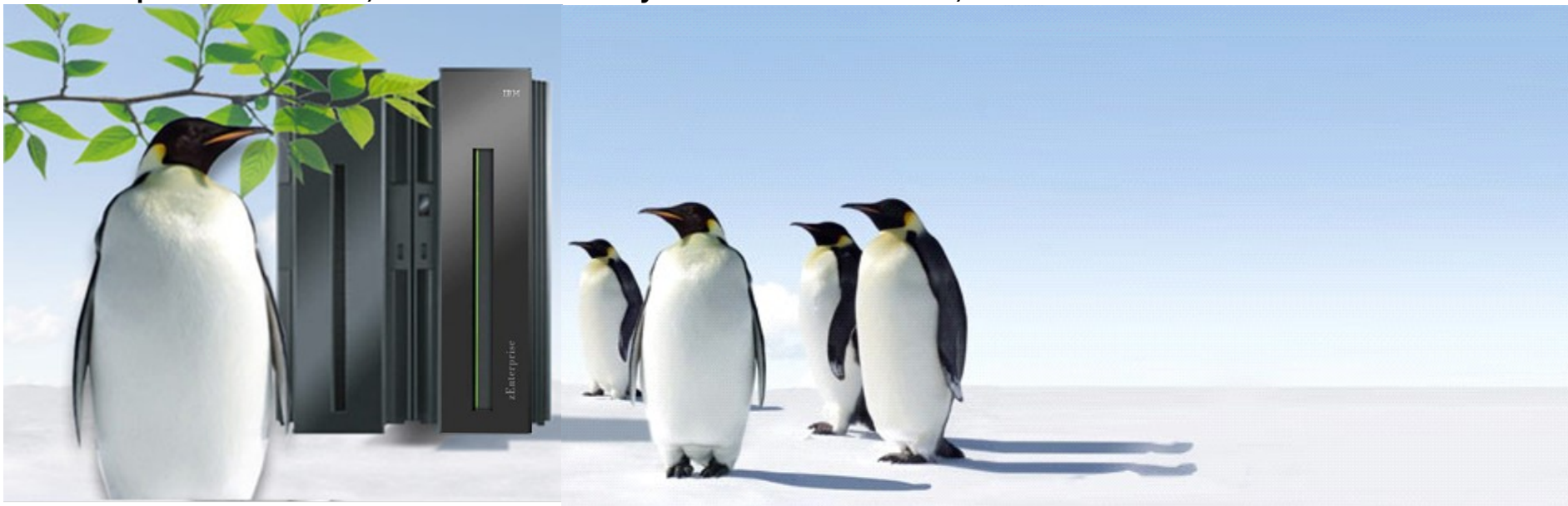


Linux on System z Update: Current & Future Linux on System z Technology

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How Linux on System z is developed

Let's see what IBM is doing in the Labs to develop Linux



IBM collaborates with the Linux community

- ...has been an active participant since 1999
- ...is one of the leading commercial contributors to Linux
- ...has over 600 full-time developers working with Linux and open source

Linux Kernel & Subsystem Development

Kernel Base
Security
Systems Mgmt
Virtualization
Filesystems,
and more...

Expanding the Open Source Ecosystem

Apache
Eclipse
Mozilla Firefox
OpenOffice.org,
and more...

Promoting Open Standards & Community Collaboration

The Linux Foundation
Linux Standards Base
Common Criteria certification,
and more...

Foster and Protect the Ecosystem

Software Freedom Law Center
Free Software Foundation (FSF),
and more...



Facts on Linux

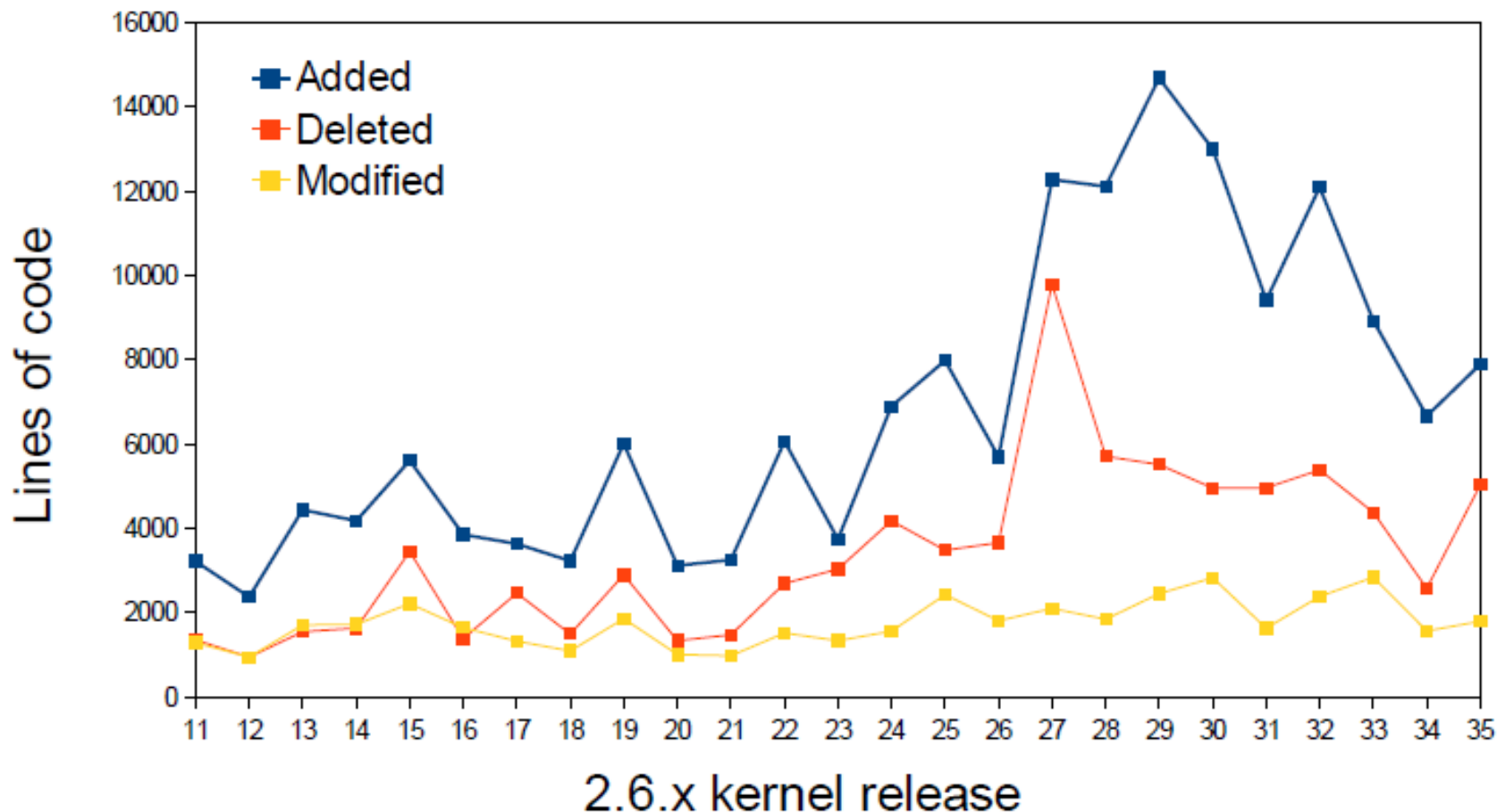
- Last year, **75%** of the Linux code was developed by **programmers working for corporations.**
- **\$7.37 billion:** projected cost to produce the 283 million lines of code which are contained in Linux Distribution **in a commercial environment.**
- IDC forecasts show that **Linux server revenue will grow by 85.5%** between 2008 and 2012 **in the non-x86 server space** equalling a four year compound annual growth rate of 16.7%.
- **Linux is Linux**, but ...features, properties and quality differ dependent on your platform

Source: Intelligence Slideshow: 40 Fast Facts on Linux <http://www.baselinemag.com/c/a/Intelligence/40-Fast-Facts-on-Linux-727574/>
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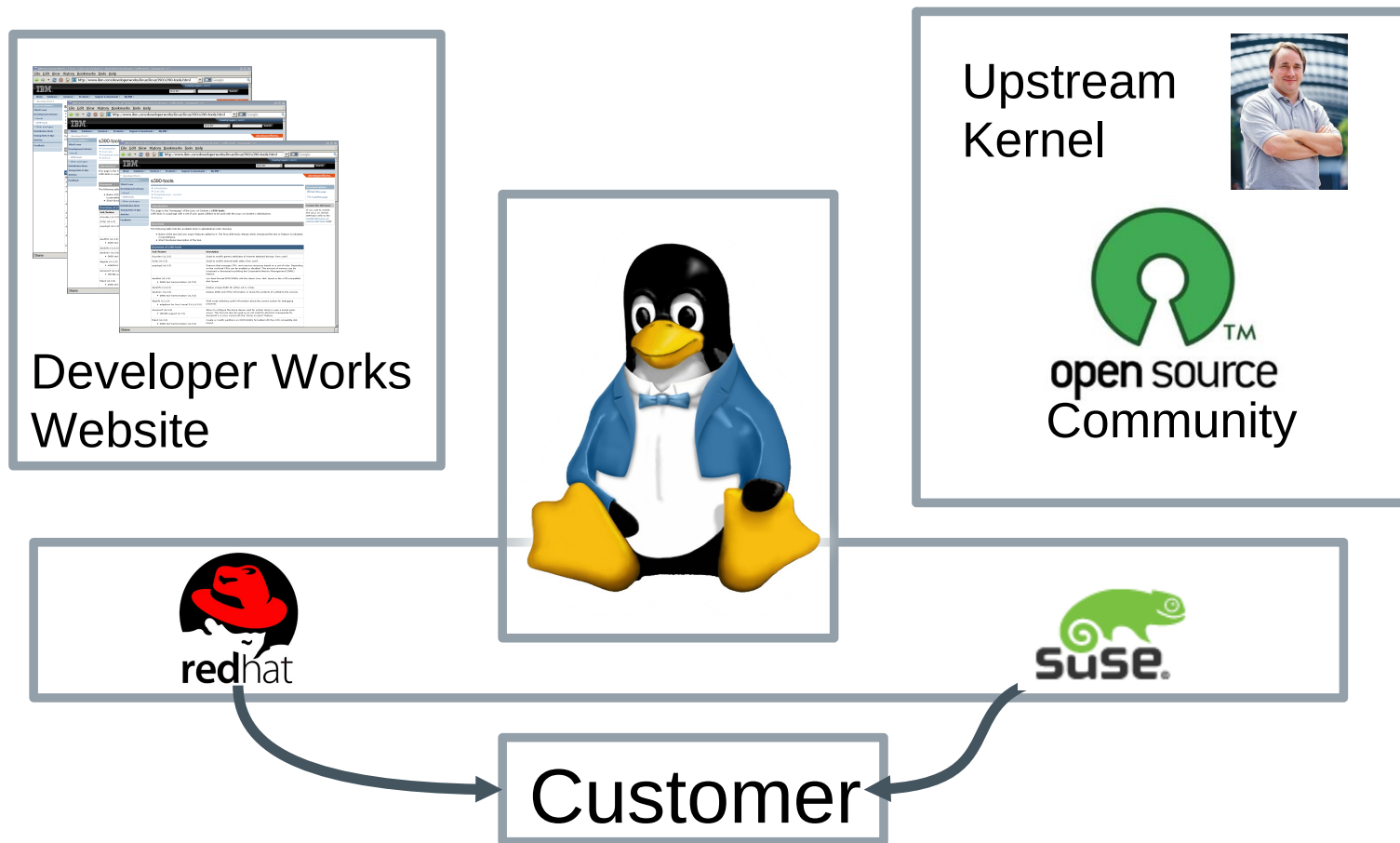
Linux kernel development: Rate of Change

Average: 6683 lines added, 3774 lines removed, 1797 lines changed every day for the last 5 1/2 years.



IBM Linux on System z Development

IBM Linux on System z Development contributes in the following areas: Kernel, s390-tools, Open Source Tools (e.g. eclipse, ooprofile), GCC, GLIBC, Binutils



...the code you use is the result of the efforts of an anonymous army of blue penguins involved in developing, testing, documenting,





Linux on System z distributions (Kernel 2.6 based)

- **SUSE Linux Enterprise Server 9 (GA 08/2004)**
 - Kernel 2.6.5, GCC 3.3.3, Service Pack 4 (GA 12/2007)
- **SUSE Linux Enterprise Server 10 (GA 07/2006)**
 - Kernel 2.6.16, GCC 4.1.0, Service Pack 4 (GA 05/2011)
- **SUSE Linux Enterprise Server 11 (GA 03/2009)**
 - Kernel 2.6.27, GCC 4.3.3, Service Pack 1 (GA 06/2010), Kernel 2.6.32
- **Red Hat Enterprise Linux AS 4 (GA 02/2005)**
 - Kernel 2.6.9, GCC 3.4.3, Update 9 (GA 02/2011)
- **Red Hat Enterprise Linux AS 5 (GA 03/2007)**
 - Kernel 2.6.18, GCC 4.1.0, Update 6 (GA 05/2011)
- **Red Hat Enterprise Linux AS 6 (GA 11/2010)**
 - Kernel 2.6.32, GCC 4.4.0 Update 1 (GA 05/2011)
- **Others**
 - Debian, Slackware,
 - Support may be available by some third party



IBM Supported Linux Distributions for System z

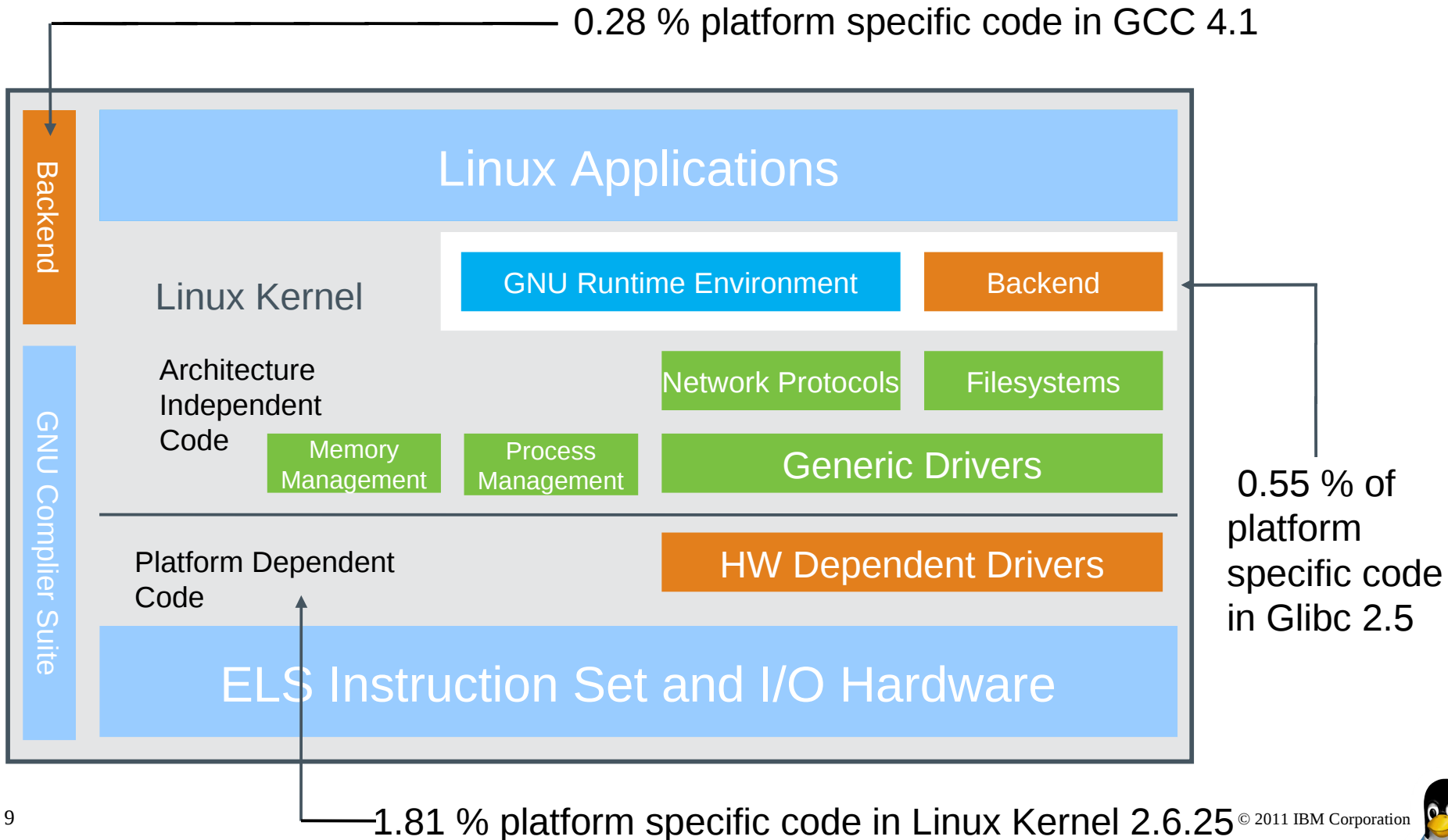
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RHEL 6				
RHEL 5				
SLES 10				
SLES 11				

<http://www-03.ibm.com/systems/z/os/linux/resources/testedplatforms.html>



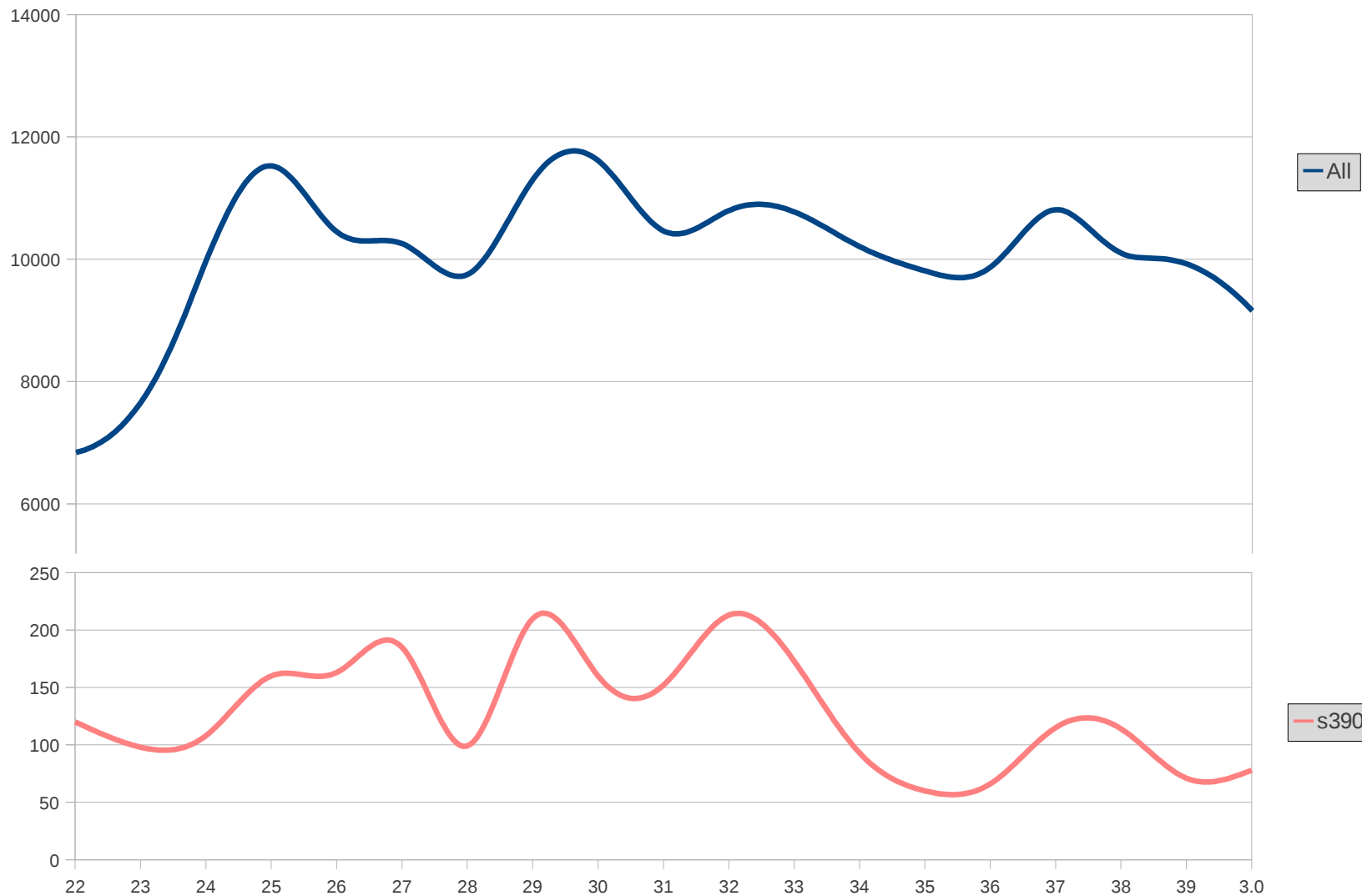
Structure of Linux on System z

Many Linux software packages did not require any code change to run on Linux on System z

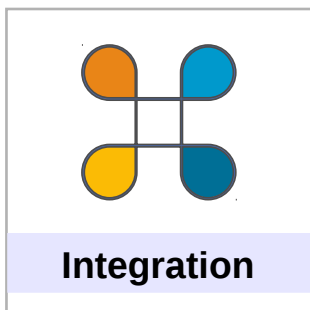


Linux kernel development: System z contributions

Changesets per 2.6.x/3.x kernel release



Linux on System z Development Focus



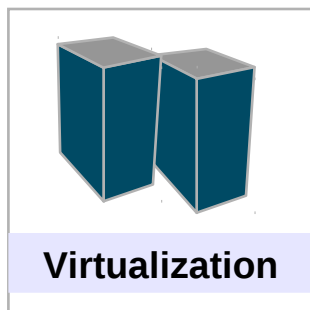
Integration

Application Serving

- z/OS & z/VSE integration

Data Hub

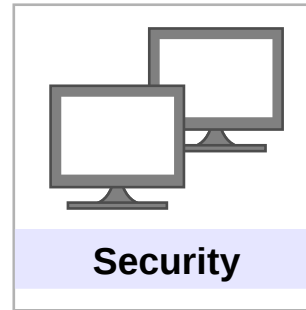
- Database Consolidation



Virtualization

Virtualization & Virtualization Management

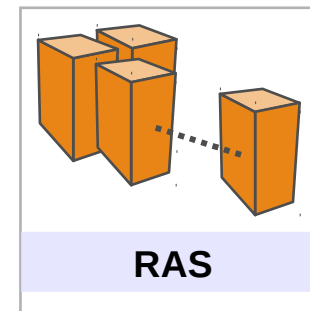
- Ease of Use
- Serviceability
- Hosting capacity



Security

Security

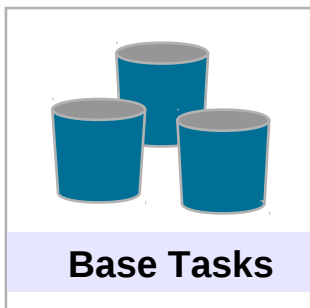
- Certifications
- Data security & privacy



RAS

Continuous Availability & Data Replication

- RAS
- Differentiation for mission critical workloads



Base Tasks

Customer Requirements

- Address customer observed deficiencies

Competitiveness

- Close competitive gaps
- Differentiation / innovation that matters

Hardware Support

- Exploitation of new System z HW
- Storage exploitation

Linux

- Maintainership & code currency



Your Linux on System z Requirements?

Are you missing a certain feature, functionality or tool? **We'd love to hear from you!**

We will evaluate each request and (hopefully) develop the additional functionality you need.

Send your input to
stefan.haberland@de.ibm.com



Current Linux on System z Technology

*Features & Functionality contained in the Novell
& Red Hat Distributions*



Kernel Core

- **Breaking event address for user space programs (kernel 2.6.35)**
 - Remember the last break in the sequential flow of instructions
 - Valuable aid in the analysis of wild branches
- **z196 enhanced node affinity support (kernel 2.6.37)**
 - Allows the Linux scheduler to optimize its decisions based on the z196 topology
- **Performance indicator bytes (kernel 2.6.37)**
 - Display capacity adjustment indicator introduced with z196 via `/proc/sysinfo`.



How can you read files on a CMS disk with Linux?

About the CMS user space file system (fuse) support



11.1



6.1

- Allows to mount a z/VM minidisk to a Linux mount point
- z/VM minidisk needs to be in the enhanced disk format (EDF)
- The cmsfs fuse file system transparently integrates the files on the minidisk into the Linux VFS, no special command required

```
root@larsson:~> cmsfs-fuse /dev/dasde /mnt/cms
root@larsson:~> ls -la /mnt/cms/PROFILE.EXEC
-r--r----- 1 root root 3360 Jun 26 2009
/mnt/fuse/PROFILE.EXEC
```

- By default no conversion is performed
 - Mount with '-t' to get automatic EBCDIC to ASCII conversion

```
root@larsson:~> cmsfs-fuse -t /dev/dasde /mnt/cms
```

- Use fusermount to unmount the file system again

```
root@larsson:~> fusermount -u /mnt/cms
```



How can you read & write files on a CMS disk with Linux?

About the CMS user space file system (fuse) support



- Write support is also available in RHEL 6.1
 - use “vi” to edit PROFILE.EXEC anyone ?



Virtualization

- **TTY terminal server over IUCV**

Provide central access to the Linux console for the different guests of a z/VM.

Fullscreen applications like *vi* are usable on the console.

Access Linux instances with no external network because IUCV is independent from TCP/IP

- **Dynamic memory attach/detach**

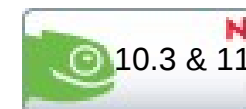
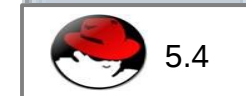
Allows to attach/detach memory for Linux as a guest without needing to reipl.

- **Extra kernel parameter via VMPARM**

Allows to use z/VM VMPARM variable to add or substitute the kernel command line.

- **Provide CMS script for initial IPL**

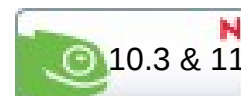
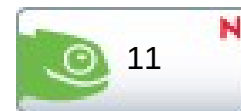
Avoids having to create an script to start a new installation under z/VM.



Virtualization (cont.)

- **Exploitation of DCSSs above 2G**
Solves restriction to use DCSS above or greater than 2GB.
- **Provide service levels of HW & Hypervisor in Linux**
Improves serviceability by providing uCode and z/VM levels via /proc interface

```
root@larsson:~> cat /proc/service_levels
VM: z/VM Version 5 Release 2.0
service level 0801(64-bit)
qeth: 0.0.f5f0 firmware level 087d
```



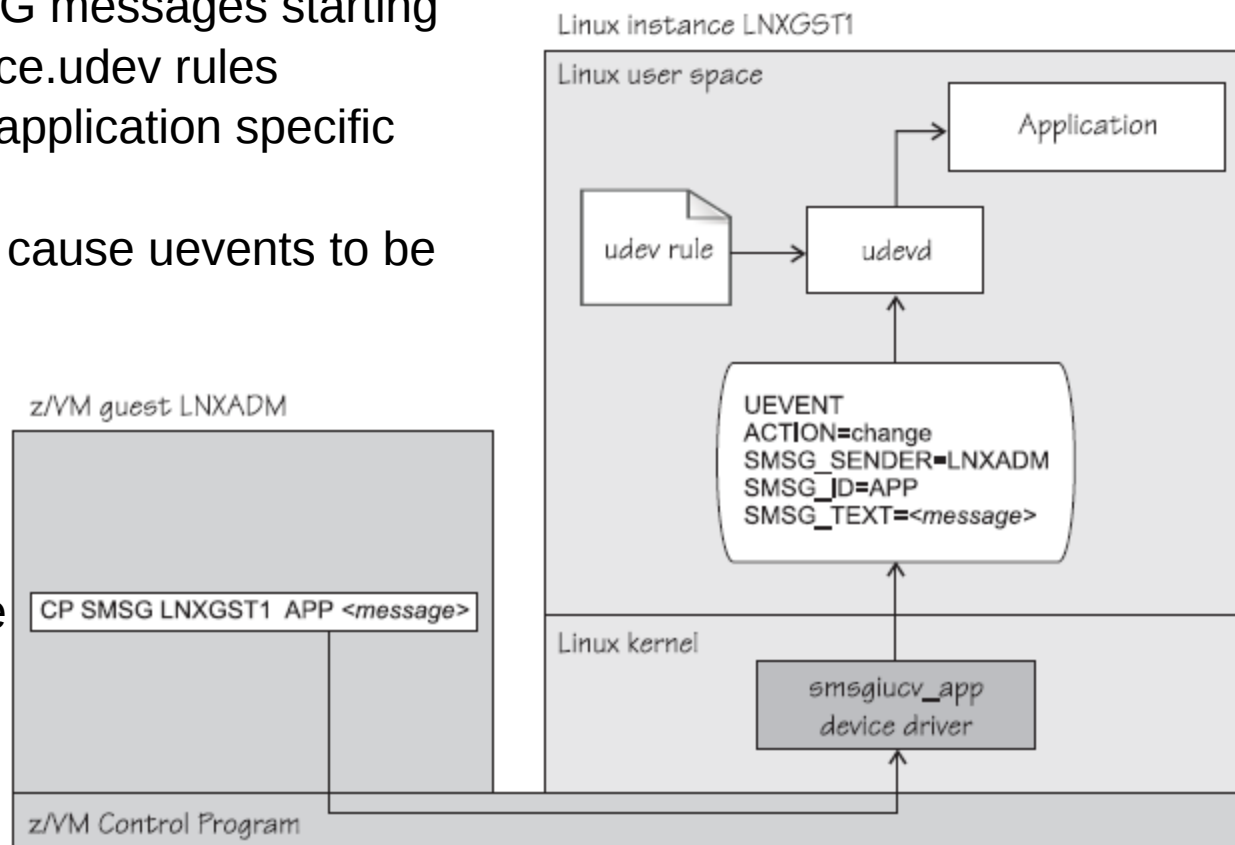
Deliver z/VM CP special messages as uevent



Allows to forward SMSG messages starting with “APP” to user space. udev rules can be used to trigger application specific actions

The special messages cause uevents to be generated.

See “Writing udev rules for handling CP special messages” on page 229 in the Device Driver Book for information about handling the uevents.



hyptop: display hypervisor utilization data

- The hyptop command is a top-like tool that displays a dynamic real-time view of the hypervisor environment
 - It works with both the z/VM and LPAR hypervisor
 - Depending on the available data it can display information about CPU and memory
 - running LPARs or z/VM guest operating systems
- **The following is required to run hyptop**
 - The debugfs file system must be mounted
 - The hyptop user must have read permission for the required debugfs files:
 - z/VM: <debugfs mount point>/s390_hypfs/diag_2fc
 - LPAR: <debugfs mount point>/s390_hypfs/diag_204
 - To monitor all LPARs or z/VM guests your instance requires additional privileges
 - For z/VM: The user ID requires privilege class B
 - For LPAR: The global performance data control box in the LPAR activation profile needs to be selected



hyptop: Display hypervisor utilization data

Example of z/VM utilization data

```
10:11:56 CPU-T: UN(16)                                     ?=help
```

system (str)	#cpu (#)	cpu (%)	Cpu+ (hm)	online (dhm)	memuse (GiB)	memmax (GiB)	wcur (#)
T6360003	6	<u>506.92</u>	3404:17	44:20:53	7.99	8.00	100
T6360017	2	<u>199.58</u>	8:37	29:23:50	0.75	0.75	100
T6360004	6	<u>99.84</u>	989:37	62:00:00	1.33	2.00	100
T6360005	2	<u>0.77</u>	0:16	5:23:06	0.55	2.00	100
T6360015	4	<u>0.15</u>	9:42	18:23:04	0.34	0.75	100
T6360035	2	<u>0.11</u>	0:26	7:18:15	0.77	1.00	100
T6360027	2	<u>0.07</u>	2:53	62:21:46	0.75	0.75	100
T6360049	2	<u>0.06</u>	1:27	61:17:35	0.65	1.00	100
T6360010	6	<u>0.06</u>	5:55	61:20:56	0.83	1.00	100
T6360021	2	<u>0.06</u>	1:04	48:19:08	0.34	4.00	100
T6360048	2	<u>0.04</u>	0:27	49:00:51	0.29	1.00	100
T6360016	2	<u>0.04</u>	6:09	34:19:37	0.30	0.75	100
T6360008	2	<u>0.04</u>	3:49	47:23:10	0.35	0.75	100
T6360006	2	<u>0.03</u>	0:57	25:20:37	0.54	1.00	100
NSLCF1	1	<u>0.01</u>	0:02	62:21:46	0.03	0.25	100
VTAM	1	<u>0.00</u>	0:01	62:21:46	0.01	0.03	100
T6360023	2	<u>0.00</u>	0:04	6:21:20	0.46	0.75	100
PERFSVM	1	<u>0.00</u>	2:12	7:18:04	0.05	0.06	0
AUTOVM	1	<u>0.00</u>	0:03	62:21:46	0.00	0.03	100
FTPSEVE	1	<u>0.00</u>	0:00	62:21:47	0.01	0.03	100
TCPIP	1	<u>0.00</u>	0:01	62:21:47	0.01	0.12	3000
DATAMOVE	1	<u>0.00</u>	0:06	62:21:47	0.00	0.03	100
VMSEVRU	1	<u>0.00</u>	0:00	62:21:47	0.00	0.03	1500
OPERSVMP	1	<u>0.00</u>	0:00	62:21:47	0.00	0.03	100



hyptop: Display hypervisor utilization data

Example of single LPAR utilization data

```

10:16:59 H05LP30 CPU-T: IFL(18) CP(3) UN(2)                                     ?=help
cpuid  type      cpu  mgm  visual
(##)   (str)      (%) (%)  (vis)
0_____ IFL    29.34 0.72 |#####
1_____ IFL    28.17 0.70 |#####
2_____ IFL    32.86 0.74 |#####
3_____ IFL    31.29 0.75 |#####
4_____ IFL    32.86 0.72 |#####
5_____ IFL    30.94 0.68 |#####
6_____ IFL     0.00 0.00 |
7_____ IFL     0.00 0.00 |
8_____ IFL     0.00 0.00 |
9_____ IFL     0.00 0.00 |
=:V:N          185.46 4.30

```



RAS

- **Suspend / resume support (kernel 2.6.31)**
Add the ability to stop a running Linux system and resume operations later on. The image is stored on the swap device and does not use any system resource while suspended.
Only suspend to disk is implemented, suspend to RAM is not supported.
- **Add Call Home data on halt and panic if running in LPAR (kernel 2.6.32)**
Report system failures (kernel panic) via the service element to the IBM service organization. Improves service for customers with a corresponding service contract. (by default this features is deactivated)
- **Large image dump on DASD**
Solves restriction to dump only 48GB of memory to DASD. Now up to 32 ECKD DASDs can be used in a multiple volume configuration



Suspend / resume support

- Ability to stop a running Linux on System z instance and later continue operations
- Memory image is stored on the swap device specified with a kernel parameter: **resume=/dev/dasd<x>**
- Lower the swap device priority for the resume partition

```
root@larsson:~> grep swap /etc/fstab
/dev/dasdb1 swap swap pri=-1 0 0
/dev/dasdc1 swap swap pri=-2 0 0
```

- Suspend operation is started with a simple echo:

```
root@larsson:~> echo disk > /sys/power/state
```

- Resume is done automatically on next IPL
- Use signal quiesce to automatically suspend a guest

```
ca::ctrlaltdel:/bin/sh -c "/bin/echo disk > \  
/sys/power/state || /sbin/shutdown -t3 -h now"
```



System z kernel features – Storage FICON

- **Unit check handling (kernel 2.6.35)**
 - Improve handling of unit checks for internal I/O started by the common-I/O layer
 - After a unit check certain setup steps need to be repeated, e.g. for PAV
- **Dynamic PAV toleration (kernel 2.6.35)**
 - Tolerate dynamic Parallel Access Volume changes for base PAV
 - System management tools can reassign PAV alias device to different base devices.
- **Tunable default grace period for missing interrupts in DASD (kernel 2.6.36)**
 - Provide a user interface to specify the timeout for missings interrupts for standard I/O operations on DASD



System z kernel features – Storage FCP

- **Store I/O status and initiate logging (SIOSL) (kernel 2.6.36)**
 - Enhance debug capability for FCP attached devices
 - Enables operating system to detect unusual conditions on an FCP channel
- **SAN utilities (trace, ping, ..) (kernel 2.6.36, lib-zfcp-hbaapi 2.1)**
 - Two new utilities have been added: zfcp_ping and zfcp_show
 - They are useful to discover a storage area network



SAN Utilities: zfcplib



- **Query Fibre Channel nameserver about ports available for my system:**

```
root@larsson:~> zfcplib -n
Local Port List:
    0x500507630313c562 / 0x656000 [N_Port] proto = SCSI-FCP  FICON
    0x50050764012241e4 / 0x656100 [N_Port] proto = SCSI-FCP
    0x5005076401221b97 / 0x656400 [N_Port] proto = SCSI-FCP
```

- **Query SAN topology, requires FC management server access:**

```
root@larsson:~> zfcplib
Interconnect Element Name      0x1000000051e4f7c00
Interconnect Element Domain ID 005
Interconnect Element Type      Switch
Interconnect Element Ports     256
  ICE Port 000  Online
    Attached Port [WWPN/ID] 0x50050763030b0562 / 0x650000 [N_Port]
  ICE Port 001  Online
    Attached Port [WWPN/ID] 0x50050764012241e5 / 0x650100 [N_Port]
  ICE Port 002  Online
    Attached Port [WWPN/ID] 0x5005076303008562 / 0x650200 [N_Port]
  ICE Port 003  Offline
  ...
```



SAN Utilities: zfcplib



- **Query Fibre Channel nameserver about ports available for my system:**

```
root@larsson:~> zfcplib_ping 0x5005076303104562
Sending PNG from BUS_ID=0.0.3c00 speed=8 GBit/s
    echo received from WWPN (0x5005076303104562) tok=0 time=1.905 ms
    echo received from WWPN (0x5005076303104562) tok=1 time=2.447 ms
    echo received from WWPN (0x5005076303104562) tok=2 time=2.394 ms

----- ping statistics -----
min/avg/max = 1.905/2.249/2.447 ms
-----
```

- **zfcplib_show and zfcplib_ping are part of the zfcplib-hbaapi 2.1 package:**

<http://www.ibm.com/developerworks/linux/linux390/zfcplib-hbaapi-2.1.html>



System z kernel features – Networking

- **Offload outbound checksumming (kernel 2.6.35)**
 - Move calculation of checksum for non-TSO packets from the driver to the OSA network card
- **OSX (OSM) CHPIDs for hybrid data network (kernel 2.6.35)**
 - The OSA cards for the zBX Blade Center Extension will have a new CHPID type
 - Allows communication between zBX and Linux on System z
- **NAPI support for QDIO and QETH (kernel 2.6.36)**
 - Convert QETH to the NAPI interface, the “new” Linux networking API
 - NAPI allows for transparent GRO (generic receive offload)



System z kernel features – Networking

- **Support for assisted VLAN null tagging (kernel 2.6.37)**
 - Close a gap between OSA and Linux to process null tagged frames correctly
 - z/OS may sent null-tagged frames to Linux
- **Configuration tool for System z network devices (s390-tools 1.8.4)**
 - Provide a shell script to ease configuration of System z network devices



znetconf network device configuration tool



- Allows to list, add, remove & configure System z network devices
- For example: list all potential network devices:

```
root@larsson:~> znetconf -u
Device Ids                Type Card Type CHPID Drv.
-----
0.0.f500,0.0.f501,0.0.f502 1731/01 OSA (QDIO) 00 qeth
0.0.f503,0.0.f504,0.0.f505 1731/01 OSA (QDIO) 01 qeth
```

- Configure device 0.0.f503

```
root@larsson:~> znetconf -a 0.0.f503
```

- Configure device 0.0.f503 in layer2 mode and portname "myport"

```
root@larsson:~> znetconf -a 0.0.f503 -o layer2=1 -o
portname=myport
```

- Remove network device 0.0.f503

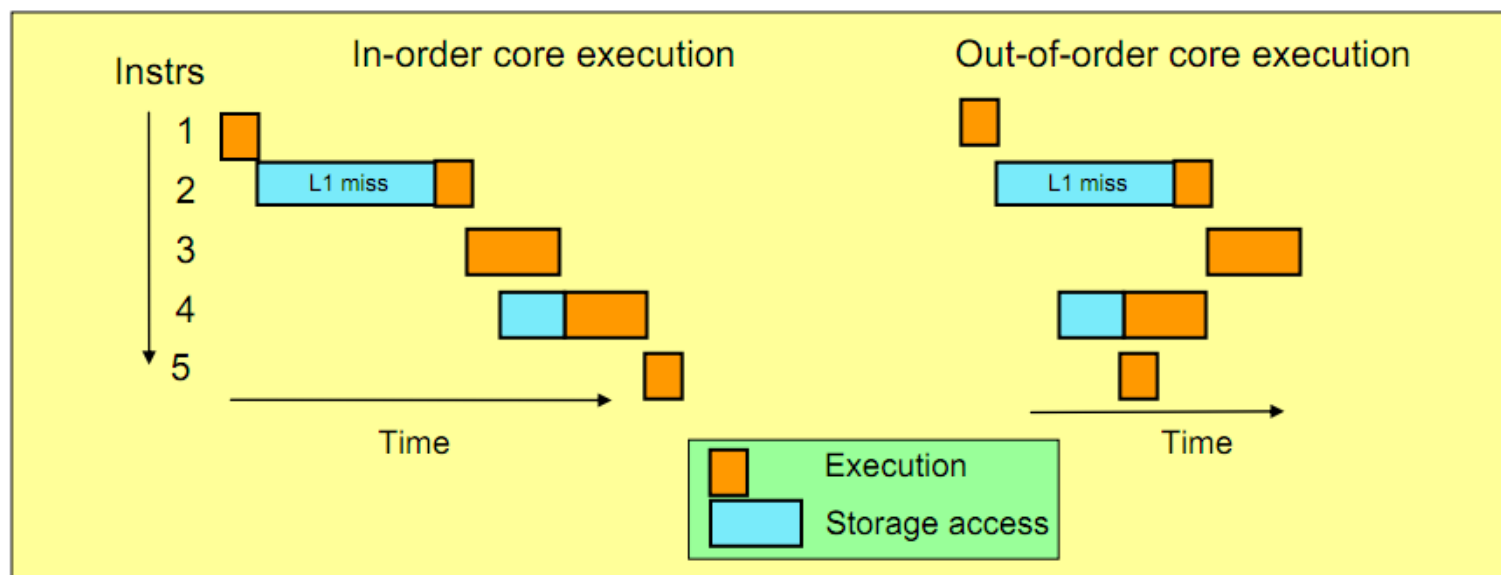
```
root@larsson:~> znetconf -r 0.0.f503
```



System z toolchain

- **zEnterprise 196 exploitation (gcc 4.6)**

- Use option `-march=z196` to utilize the new instructions added with z196
- Use `-mtune=z196` to schedule the instruction appropriate for the new out-of-order pipeline of z196
- Re-compiled code/apps get further performance gains through 110+ new instructions



Future Linux on System z Technology

*Software which has already been developed and integrated into the Linux Kernel – but is **not** yet available in any Enterprise Linux Distribution*



Kernel news – Common code

Linux version 2.6.35 (2010-08-01)

- Filesystems: btrfs improvements, XFS delayed logging
- Support for multiple multicast route tables
- Support for Layer 2 Tunneling Protocol L2TP Version 3
- Memory compaction

Linux version 2.6.37 (2011-01-04)

- Filesystems: better SMP scalability for ext4, XFS scalability improvements
- Removal of the BKL: Big Kernel Lock
- I/O throttling support for process groups
- Jump labels: performance optimization for disabled tracepoints

Linux version 2.6.36 (2010-10-20)

- Tiler architecture support
- Concurrency-managed workqueues
- Improve VM-related desktop responsiveness
- Integration of AppArmor
- New out-of-memory killer (OOM)

Linux version 2.6.38 (2011-03-14)

- Automatic process grouping (SCHED_AUTOGROUP)
- RCU-based path name lookup (dcache scalability)
- Transparent huge pages
- Transmit packet steering (XPS) for multiqueue devices



Kernel news – Common code

- **Linux version 2.6.39 (2011-05-18)**
 - Ext4 SMP scalability
 - IPset network resource groups
 - Transcendent memory
 - Unicore32 architecture
- **Linux version 3.0 (2011-07-21)**
 - New kernel version numbering scheme
 - Cleancache (was transcendent memory) support for ext4, btrfs and XFS
 - Preemptible mmu_gather for reduced latency
 - Enhancements for the memory cgroup controller



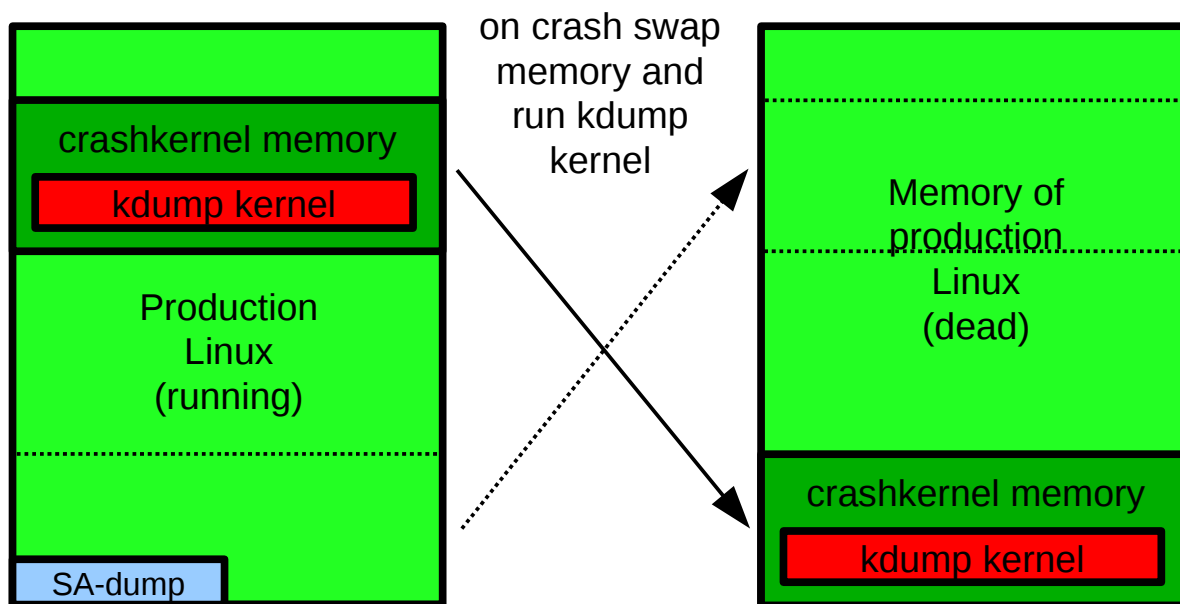
System z Kernel Features - Core

- **QDIO outbound scan algorithm (kernel 2.6.38)**
 - Improved scheduling of QDIO tasklets, OSA / HiperSockets / zfcip need different thresholds.
- **Two stage dumper / kdump support (> kernel 3.0)**
 - Enhanced dump support that is able to reduced dump size, share disk space, dump to network, etc.
 - Integrated into the System z stand-alone dump tools and shutdown actions framework



System z kernel features – two stage dumper / kdump support

- Use a preloaded crashkernel to run in case of a system failure
- Can be triggered either as panic action or by the stand-alone dumper
- Use the makedumpfile tool to filter the memory of the crashed system



Networking

- **Toleration of optimized latency mode (kernel 2.6.35)**
 - OSA devices in optimized latency mode can only serve a small number of stacks / users. Print a helpful error message if the user limit is reached.
 - Linux does not exploit the optimized latency mode
- **New default qeth configuration values (kernel 2.6.39)**
 - Receive checksum offload, generic receive offload & number of inbound buffers
- **QETH debugging per single card (kernel 2.6.36)**
 - Split some of the global QETH debug areas into separate per-device areas
 - Simplifies debugging for complex multi-homed configurations
- **IPv6 support for the qetharp tool (kernel 2.6.38)**
 - Extend the qetharp tool to provide IPv6 information in case of a layer 3 setup.
 - This is required for communication with z/OS via HiperSockets using IPv6.



New Linux on System z Storage Features (FICON)

- **Query DASD reservation status (kernel 2.6.37)**
 - New DASD ioctl to read the 'Sense Path Group ID' data
 - Allows to determine the reservation status of a DASD in relation to the current Linux
- **Multi-track extension for HPF (kernel 2.6.38)**
 - Allows to read from and write to multiple tracks with a single CCW
- **Improve handling of stolen DASD reservation (kernel 2.6.38)**
 - Provide alternatives to handle unit checks that indicate stolen reservations
 - Fail any request to a device until it is set offline
 - Queue I/O until reservation is released again
- **Access to raw ECKD data from Linux (kernel 2.6.38)**
 - This item allows to access ECKD disks in raw mode
 - Use the 'dd' command to copy the disk level content of an ECKD disk
 - Storage array needs to support the read-track and write-full-track commands



System z kernel features – Storage FICON

- **Automatic menu support in zipl (s390-tools 1.11.0)**
 - Zipl option that will create a boot menu for all eligible non-menu sections in the zipl configuration file
- **reIPL from device-mapper devices (s390-tools 1.12.0)**
 - The automatic re-IPL function only works with a physical device
 - Enhance the zipl support for device-mapper devices to provide the name of the physical device if the zipl target is located on a logical device



System z kernel features – Usability / RAS

- **CHPID reconfiguration handling (kernel 2.6.37)**
 - Update data structures after channel-path related information change
 - Inform device drivers about relevant changes
- **4096 bit RSA fast path (kernel 2.6.38)**
 - Make use of 4096 bit RSA acceleration available with Crypto Express 3 GA2 cards
- **Address space randomization (kernel 2.6.38)**
 - Enable flexible mmap layout for 64 bit
 - Randomize start address for the runtime stack and the mmap area
- **New libica APIs for supported crypto modes**
 - Provide a programmatic way to query for supported crypto ciphers, modes and key sizes.
 - Deliver information whether the cryptographic features are implemented in hardware or in software



System z kernel features – Usability / RAS

- **Get CPC name (kernel 2.6.39)**
 - Useful to identify a particular hardware system in a cluster
 - The CPC name and HMC network name are provided
- **CP ACF exploitation of System z196 (kernel 2.6.39)**
 - Add support for new HW crypto modes:
 - * cipher feedback mode (CFB), output feedback mode (OFB),
 - * counter mode (CTR), Galois counter mode (GCM),
 - * XEX based Tweaked Code Book with Cipher Text Stealing (XTS),
 - * cipher based message authentication mode (CMAC), and counter with cipher block chaining message authentication (CCM)
- **Removal of data execution protection**
 - “no execute” support relies on the secondary space mode for data separation
 - With System z10 the new instructions LRL, LGRL and LGFRL for pc-relative data access have been added
 - These new instructions access the memory operand in the same address space from where the instructions has been fetched.



System z kernel features – Usability / RAS

- **Dump on panic – prevent reipl loop (s390-tools 1.8.4)**
 - Delay arming of automatic reipl after dump. Avoids dump loops where the restarted system crashes immediately.
- **Add support for makedumpfile tool (kernel 2.6.34, s390-tools 1.9.0)**
 - Convert Linux dumps to the ELF file format, use the makedumpfile tool to remove user data from the dump. Multi-volume tape dump will be removed.
- **Breaking event address for user space (kernel 2.6.35)**
 - Store the breaking-event-address for user space programs, it is a valuable aid in the analysis of wild branches,
- **Precise process accounting (> kernel 2.6.36)**
 - Extend the taskstats interface to provide better process accounting values. Quality goal is a resolution of 10ths of microseconds.



System z toolchain

- **64 bit register in 31 bit compat mode**

Make use of 64 bit registers in 31 bit application running in z/Architecture mode.
Allows to use instruction operating on 64 bits, e.g. 64 bit multiplication
Needs kernel support for asynchronous signals

- **Oprofile hardware customer mode sampling**

Provide CPU measurement data to applications for performance tuning
Based on hardware counters and samples built into the CPU
Use oprofile to communicate the information to user space programs

- **Valgrind System z support**

Valgrind is a generic framework for creating dynamic analysis tools
Valgrind is in essence a virtual machine using just-in-time (JIT) compilation techniques
Valgrind can be used for memory debugging, memory leak detection, and profiling (e.g. cachegrind)



Valgrind System z support

- **valgrind -tool=memcheck [--leak-check=full] [--track-origins] <program>**

Detects if your program accesses memory it shouldn't

Detects dangerous uses of uninitialized values on a per-bit basis

Detects leaked memory, double frees and mismatched frees

- **valgrind -tool=cachegrind**

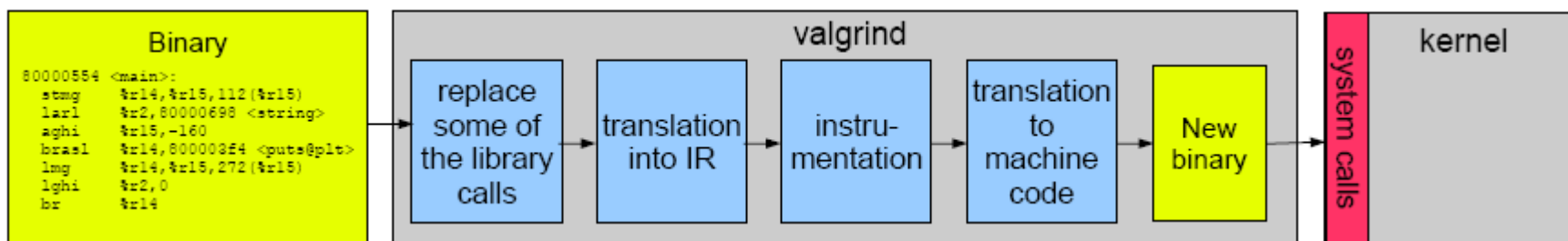
Profile cache usage, simulates instruction and data cache of the cpu

Identifies the number of cache misses

- **valgrind -tool=massif**

Profile heap usage, takes regular snapshots of program's heap

Produces a graph showing heap usage over time



Where to Find More Information



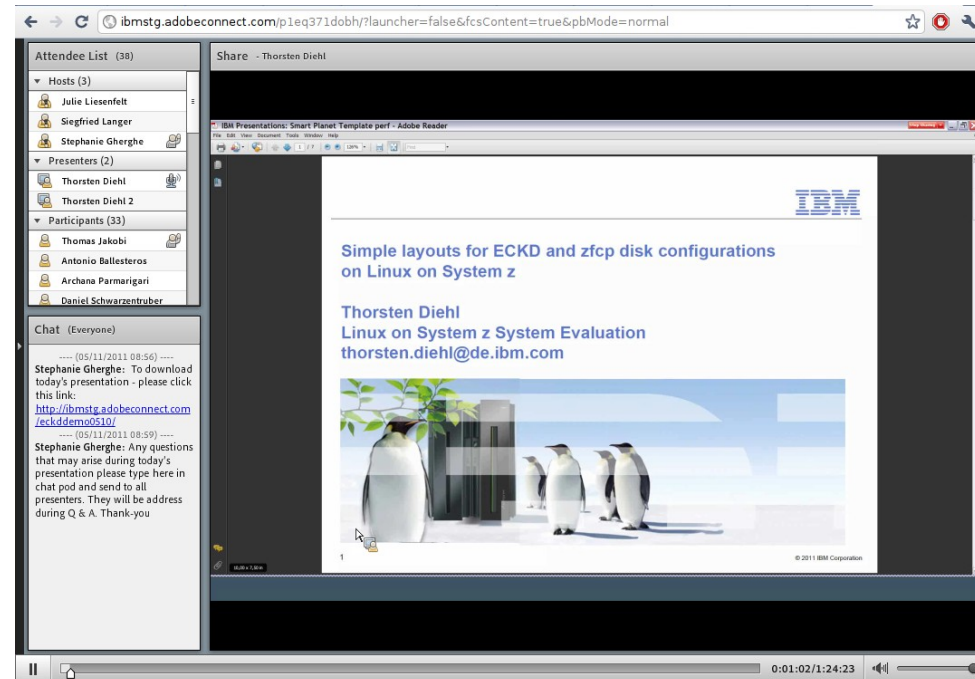
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 - Device Drivers, Features, and Commands (Kernel 2.6.33) - March 2010 (PDF, 4.4MB)
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 - Kernel Messages (Kernel 2.6.33) (PDF, 0.4MB) - March 2010
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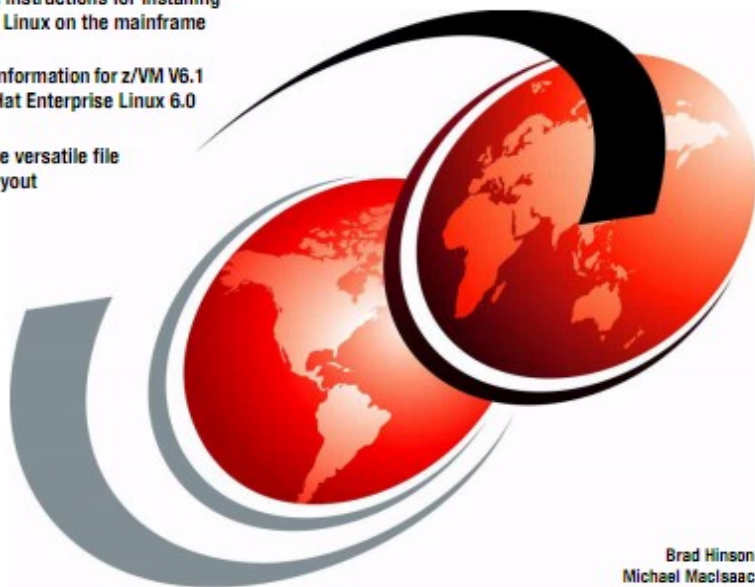


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