

# G08: Neues zu KVM für IBM z Systems

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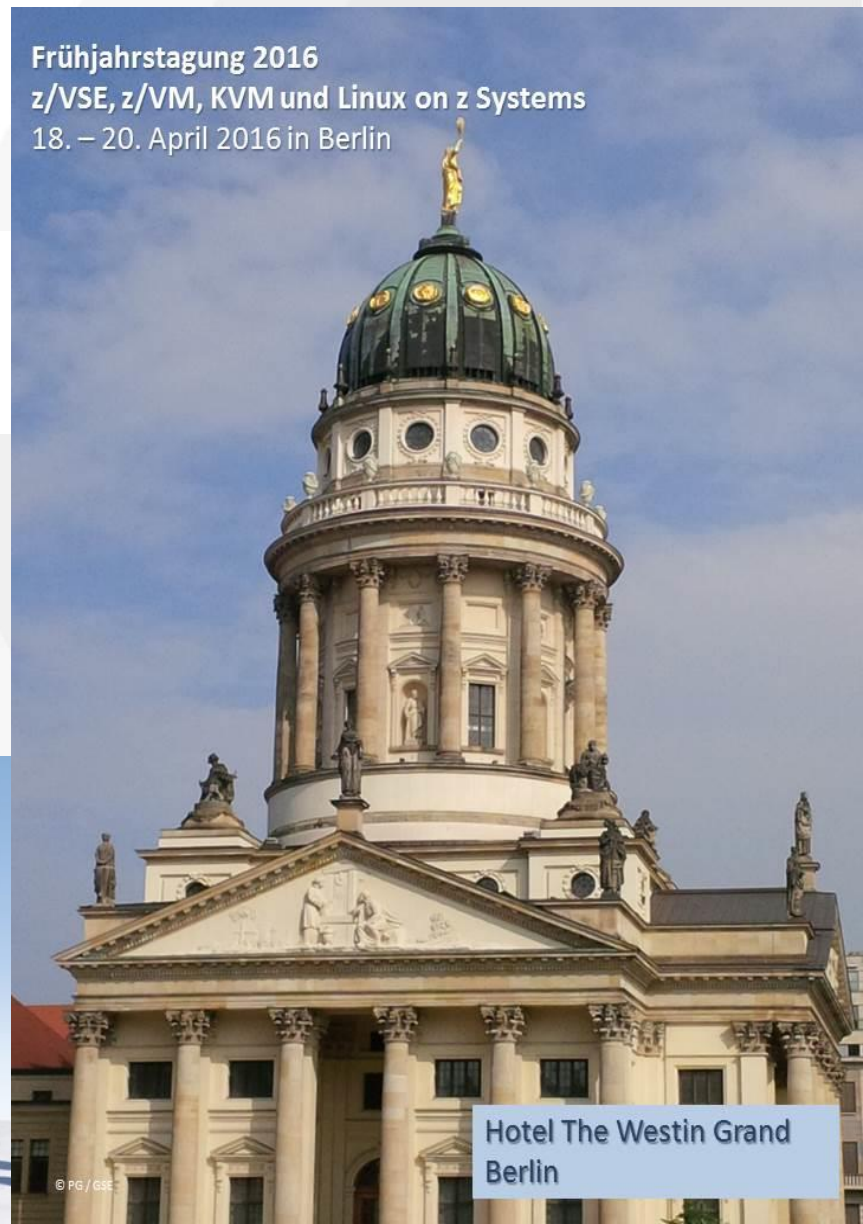
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## IBM z Systems now has three strategic virtualization platforms

- KVM for IBM z Systems
- IBM z/VM
- IBM Processor Resource/System Manager (PR/SM)



KVM for IBM z provides an open source choice for IBM z Systems and LinuxONE virtualization for Linux workloads. Best for clients that are not familiar with z/VM and are Linux centric admins.

### z/VM

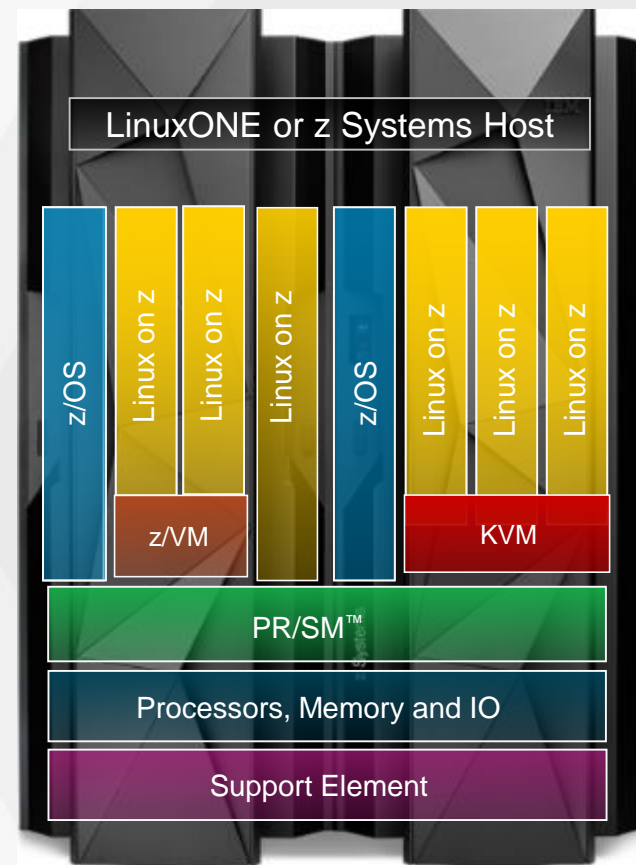
Proprietary Server Virtualization that is deeply integrated into System z. Complete hardware awareness. Supported on all IBM z Systems and LinuxONE servers. z/VM will continue to be enhanced to support Linux Workloads.

### PR/SM

Divide one physical server into up to 85 logical partitions (LPAR) running a mix of multiple z/OS, z/VM, Linux, KVM for IBM z, Transaction Processing Facility (TPF) and z/VSE instances isolated and secured in parallel. Share resources across LPARs or dedicated to a particular LPAR. Running a mix of multiple z/OS, z/VM, Linux, TPF, KVM for IBM z and z/VSE instances isolated and secured in parallel.

# Standards based virtualization for IBM z Systems and LinuxONE

- Standard KVM interfaces allow for quick startup for clients who are familiar with x86 Linux
- Standard management and operation controls leading to greater operational efficiencies
- KVM-based virtualization on z Systems and LinuxONE allows businesses to reduce costs by deploying fewer systems to run more workloads, sharing resources, and improving service levels to meet demand
- KVM open source solution for running virtual servers on z Systems and LinuxONE enables cloud deployments and big data solutions while reducing complexity and cost



A new hypervisor choice for z Systems

# Clients have a choice !

## z/VM

- World class security
- Exploitation of advanced technologies, such as:
  - Hipersockets, Hiperswap...
- Highly granular control over various resources
- Improves productivity by hosting non-Linux workloads such as z/OS, z/VSE, and z/TPF



## KVM

- Standard skills, terminology and technology makes configuration and operation of server virtualization easier/faster
- Leverage common Linux administration skills to administer virtualization
- Flexibility and agility leveraging the Open Source community
- Provides an Open Source virtualization choice

# Positioning **KVM** and **z/VM** for **IBM z Systems** and **IBM LinuxONE**

## Target Customers for KVM

### *New Linux Clients that ...*

- Sold on Open Technologies, Open Source Oriented
- x86 centric – familiar with KVM or VMware
- Linux admin skills
- Need to integrate into a distributed Cloud environment, using standard interfaces

## Target Customers for z/VM

### *Linux Clients that ...*

- Already use z/VM for Linux workloads
- Skilled in z/VM and prefer proprietary model
- Invested in tooling for z/VM environment
- Require technical capabilities in z/VM (e.g. I/O pass-through HiperSockets™, SMC-R, ...)

### **When should a seller propose KVM ?**

**For a new Linux client that ...** is Open Source oriented; not z/VM knowledgeable; already uses KVM; has x86 Linux centric admins, does not need to run Oracle, wants to implement cloud  
**For existing IBM z Systems customers who ...** do not have z/VM, but have KVM skills and large x86 environments, does not need to run Oracle, implementing cloud

### **When should a seller propose z/VM?**

**For a new client that needs ....** a highly secure and scalable cloud infrastructure; needs to improve productivity by hosting non-Linux workloads such as z/OS, z/VSE, and z/TPF on IBM z Systems; needs to run Oracle  
**For existing IBM z customers who ....** have invested in an existing z/VM environment; have z/VM skills or want to consolidate and use IBM Wave to manage LinuxONE or z Systems in order to streamline system administration and management; needs to run Oracle

# KVM for IBM z Systems v1.1.0

## GA 09/2015

**Optimized for z Systems and LinuxONE architecture**

**Multiple KVM hypervisors on one box**

**Coexists with z/VM virtualization environments, Linux on IBM z, z/OS, z/VSE, z/TPF**

**Multi-tenancy**

**Support for multiple types of workloads**

**Industry standard KVM hypervisor** enables single cross-platform virtualization to help simplify systems management

**Open Source** enables flexibility and agility

**Enable better utilization** by sharing physical I/O resources among virtual servers to reduce cost

**Eliminate downtime by dynamically** modifying I/O device configuration for virtual servers so business applications remain active

**Live virtual server workload migration** for minimal impact to your business while workloads are relocated

**Save on storage cost** with copy-on-write virtual disks by not needing full disks until used

**Policy-based goal-oriented monitoring and management** of virtual server CPU resources so critical workloads receive priority

**Memory and CPU overcommit** to achieve higher VM density per virtual host, increasing consolidation ratios and providing a more efficient scale up – scale out model for savings and a lower cost per application versus alternative solutions

**Tool to simplify** the installation of the hypervisor



# KVM for IBM z Systems v1.1.1 GA 1Q2016



**Support new analytics workloads** with Single Instruction Multiple Data (SIMD) for competitive advantage

**Deliver higher compute capacity** with support for Simultaneous Multithreading (SMT) to meet new business requirements

**RAS support enhanced for problem determination and high availability** to reduce down time and quickly react to business needs

**Secure and protect** business data with Crypto exploitation that leverages hardware acceleration for cryptographic functions – increase randomness

**Provide clients with choices for flexibility** based upon their storage environment

- Connect a variety of peripherals, especially storage devices drives, with Internet Small Computer System Interface (iSCSI)
- Access files on remote hosts exactly the same way a user would access any local files with Network File System (NFS) which works across a variety of server and host architectures

# KVM for IBM z Systems v1.1.1 GA 1Q2016



**Unattended installation of the KVM hypervisor** simplifies administration

**Supported by DPM** simplified interface for platform management. KVM for IBM z is the only supported hypervisor. Modify system resources without disrupting running workloads

**Single Hypervisor Management GUI** manage attached storage and networks without deep system z knowledge

**Upgrade tool** easy upgrade from 1.1.0 to 1.1.1

**Customer choice of Linux Distribution** with planned support for Canonical Ubuntu distribution in addition to SUSE

**Software Development Kit (SDK)** enables clients and IHV/ISVs to extend the hypervisor with their applications. For example they can build management agents which need to run on the hypervisor.

# KVM for IBM z 1.1.1 Systems pre-reqs

Servers	IBM z13™ IBM z13s™ IBM LinuxONE Rockhopper™ IBM LinuxONE Emperor™ IBM zEnterprise® zEC12 IBM zEnterprise® zBC12
Guest Operating systems supported	SUSE Linux Enterprise Server (SLES 12 SP1) Ubuntu 16.04 for z Systems – Date TBD
Networking features supported	IBM OSA-Express5S IBM OSA-Express4S IBM OSA-Express3 (zEC12 and zBC12 only)
Crypto Coprocessor supported	Crypto Express4S Crypto Express5S
Storage devices are supported	ECKD™ DASD <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ DS8000® (FICON®-attached)</li> </ul> FCP SCSI disks: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ XIV®</li> <li>▪ Storwize® V7000, V5000, V3700, V3500</li> <li>▪ FlashSystems™</li> <li>▪ SAN Volume Controller</li> <li>▪ DS8000 (FCP-attached)</li> <li>▪ DS8880 (FCP-attached)</li> </ul>

**Note: Refer to the KVM for IBM z Systems: Planning and Installation Guide (SC27-8236) for the most current information**

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#### KVM for IBM z: Operating Systems

	Product	Description	Version	Language	Notes
◆	<a href="#">[5648-KVM]</a>	KVM for IBM z	1.01.00	English (US)	

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- This Jumpstart service can help to accelerate your KVM for IBM z and LinuxONE implementation
- This service offering provides planning, installation, and usage assistance
- We work with the Linux support staff and tailor the installation for the specific environment

## Key Features:

- This service helps accelerate the deployment and exploitation of KVM for IBM z
- Assistance planning and installation for the initial deployment. Other services beyond the base Jumpstart service are available to cover other phases.
- Provide recommendations on deployment aspects such as storage and networking implementation options
- Demonstration how to deploy an initial group of virtual servers and how to perform related lifecycle operations
- Basic Jumpstarts typically complete in one week, but they can be customized to include more systems or skills transfer.

## Business Drivers:

- Open/Standard interfaces to reduce complexity
- Reduce need for constrained skills
- Increase IT staff productivity
- Reduce operational costs

## Contact:

- for questions specific to this service.

**Our z Systems and LinuxONE experts have experience  
in working with KVM**

# KVM for IBM z Systems

Open source virtualization hypervisor

KVM for IBM z Systems provides open source virtualization for IBM z Systems and the LinuxONE platforms. Using the combination of KVM virtualization and IBM z Systems and LinuxONE, you have the performance and flexibility to address the requirements of multiple, differing Linux workloads. KVM's open source virtualization on IBM z Systems and LinuxONE allows businesses to reduce costs by deploying fewer systems to run more workloads, sharing resources and improving service levels to meet demand.

## Highlights

- **Open virtualization:** Take advantage of the performance, scalability and security built into Linux and KVM and gain a cost effective alternative to proprietary x86 virtualization.
- **Quality of service:** Gain easy provisioning for predictability of delivery of service at high utilization rate.
- **Operational efficiencies:** Use familiar Linux interface to gain greater operational efficiency.

## Benefits

- Reduce operating costs through x86 server consolidation and deployment of Linux workloads.
- Simplify systems management through familiar interfaces to enable a single cross platform virtualization.
- Accelerate cloud deployments by seamlessly working with OpenStack.
- Run your Linux workloads on the most trusted, scalable, available, and secure platform.
- Meet changing server demands with automatic provisioning of computing resources.
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- **Portal**  
<http://www.ibm.com/systems/z/solutions/virtualization/kvm/>
- **Product Documentation** at [http://www-01.ibm.com/support/knowledgecenter/linuxonibm/liaaf/lnz\\_r\\_kvm.html](http://www-01.ibm.com/support/knowledgecenter/linuxonibm/liaaf/lnz_r_kvm.html)
  - KVM for IBM z Systems: Planning and Installation Guide SC27-8236-00
  - KVM for IBM z Systems: Administration Guide SC27-8237-00
  - Linux on z Systems: Virtual Server Management SC34-2752
  - Linux on z Systems: Virtual Server Quick Start SC34-2753
  - Linux on z Systems: Device Drivers, Features, and Commands for Linux as a KVM Guest SC34-2754
  - Linux on z Systems: Installing SUSE Linux Enterprise Server 12 as a KVM Guest SC34-2755
- **Redbook: Getting Started with KVM for IBM z Systems**  
<http://www.redbooks.ibm.com/redpieces/abstracts/sg248332.html?Open>
- **Performance Data / Planning Tools**
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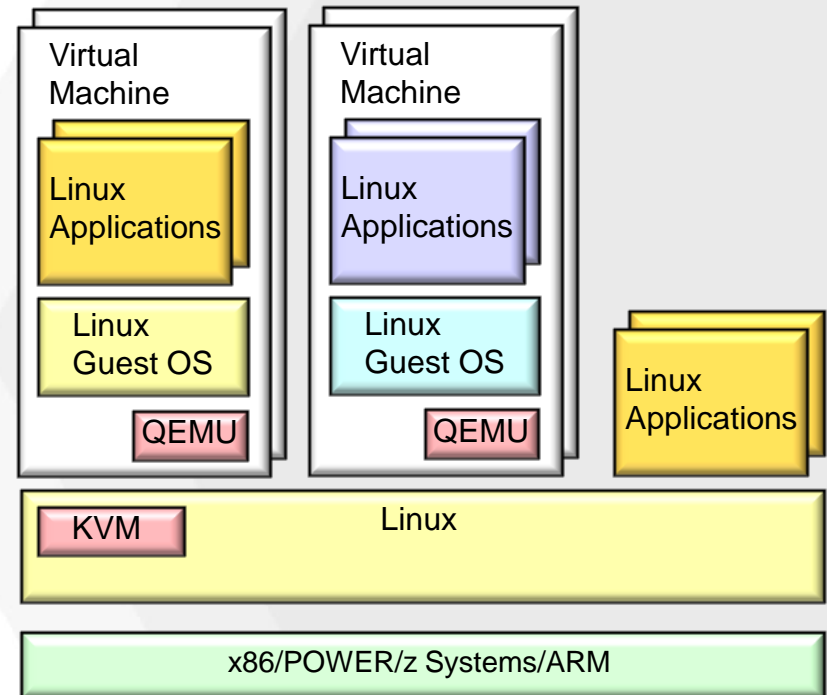
# Kernel Based Virtual Machine (KVM)

- **An open source hypervisor based on Linux**

- Linux provides the base capabilities
- KVM turns Linux into a hypervisor
- QEMU provides I/O device virtualization and emulation

- **Provides flexibility in technology choices**

- Open
- Scalable
- Economical



# Limits as in KVM for IBM z 1.1.0



Category	Function	Recommended Limit	Maximum Limit
CPU	Overcommit	10:1	N/A
	Host CPUs	z13: 28-36 (1 drawer)	101 (z12) 141 (z13)
	Per Guest vCPUs	Guest vCPUs <= Host CPUs	64
Memory	Overcommit	2:1	N/A
	Maximum Host	1 TB (z12/z13)	1 TB (z12), 8TB (z13)
Networking	OSA CHPIDs per Host	16	N/A
	Virtual NICs per Host (with OpenVSwitch)	4096	8192
	Virtual NICs per Guest	8	32
Storage	Total attached zFCP LUNs	1024	2000
	Total attached ECKD Devices	4096	64K
	Virtual Block Disks per Host	4096	64K
	Virtual Block Disks per Guest	500	1024

Others: **Guests per Host** 512 **4096**

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