

z/VSE Exploitation of IBM z Systems and IBM Storage

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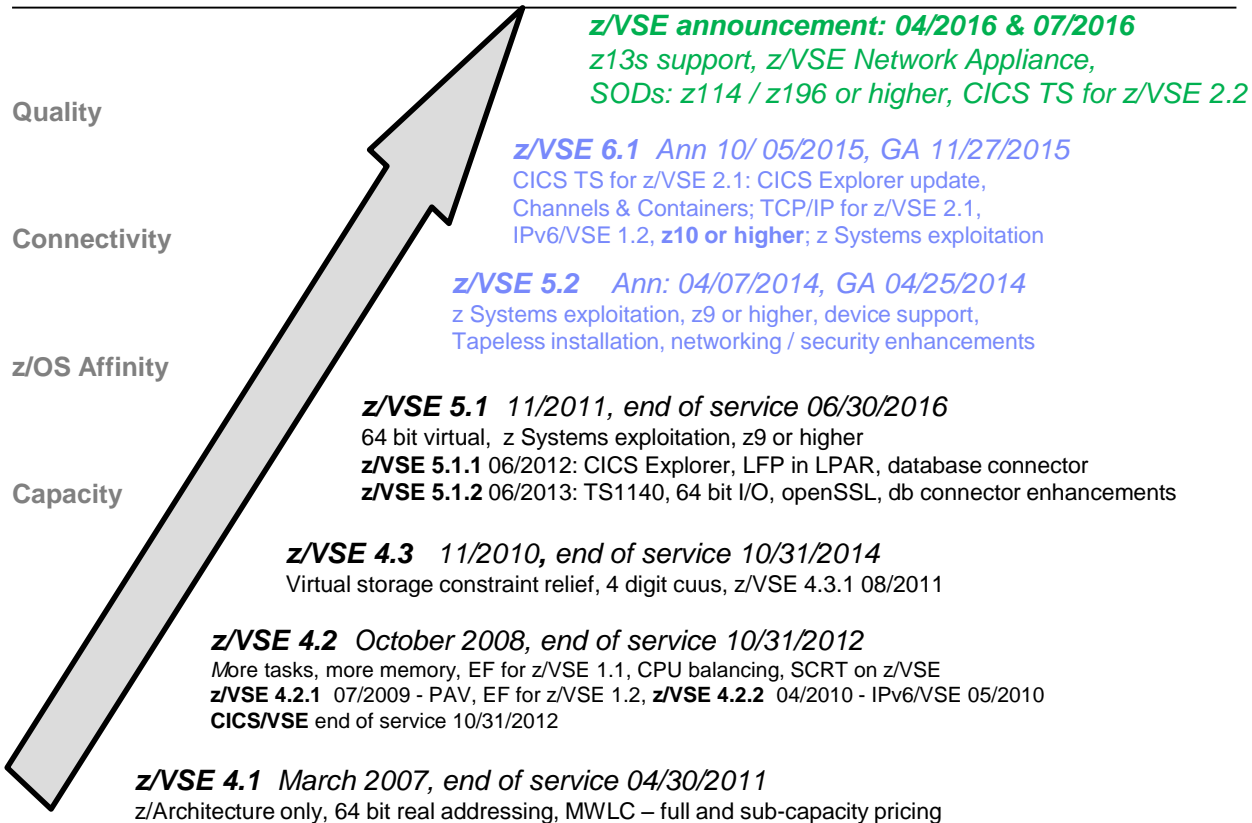
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z/VSE Roadmap



z/VSE 6.1 Overview

- Preview: May 11, 2015, GA ann.: 10/05/2015, GA 11/27/2015, [RSL with cutoff June 30, 2016](#)

- Hardware support
 - Architectural Level Set to IBM System z10 or later
 - IBM z13 / z13s support
 - Configurable Crypto Express5S
 - More than 16 cypto domain support
 - FICON Express16S for ECKD, channel to channel or FCP-attached SCSI
 - [z/VSE Network Appliance, available since June 30, 2016](#)
 - IBM System Storage options
 - (Virtual) tape solutions
 - IBM TS7700 Virtualization Engine [Release 4.0](#)
 - [IBM TS7760](#)
 - Disk solutions
 - IBM System Storage DS8870 Release 7.5, DS8880 (DS8884, DS8886, [DS8888](#))
 - As ECKD and FCP-attached SCSI disks
 - IBM FlashSystem V9000 for use with FCP-attached SCSI disks.

z/VSE 6.1 Overview ...

- New CICS version: CICS TS for z/VSE 2.1 - fullfills Statement of Direction (SOD)
- Networking enhancements
 - IPv6/VSE 1.2 – new release
 - TCP/IP for z/VSE 2.1 – new version
- Connectors
 - MQ Client Trigger Monitor
- z/VSE 6.1 requires an initial installation, Fast Service Upgrade (FSU) from z/VSE V5 not supported
- z/VSE 6.1 will be delivered in English only
- Statement of direction:
IBM plans to deliver future upgrades of z/VSE on DVD or electronically only.

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z/VSE Version 6 announcement – what will be next ?

- Announced April 12, 2016
- Support of IBM z13s
 - Configurable Crypto Express5S
 - FICON Express16S
 - z/VSE Network Appliance (available since June 30, 2016)
- Support of IBM System Storage DS8880 (ECKD and FCP-attached SCSI devices)
- Migration Pricing Option (MPO) for
 - z/VSE 6.1
 - CICS TS for z/VSE 2.1
 - IBM TCP/IP for z/VSE 2.1
 - See <http://www-03.ibm.com/systems/z/os/zvse/howtobuy/mpo.html>

z/VSE Version 6 announcement – Statement of general direction (SOD)

- High Performance FICON (zHPF)
- Install from DVD stage 2 (FBA / SCSI)
- CICS TS for z/VSE enhancements
 - CICS Explorer enhancements (define programs, files, etc.)
 - Channels & containers enhancements
- Enhancements related to CICS TS for z/VSE – web services
 - z/VSE SOAP engine to exploit Channels and Containers
 - new z/VSE Representational State Transfer (REST) engine with JSON support
- Security enhancements
 - Basic Security Manager (BSM) enhancement
 - UI dialog for batch resources (DTSECTAB security)
- Product delivery of z/VSE on DVD and electronically only for future z/VSE
- More information is here:
 - https://www.ibm.com/developerworks/community/blogs/vse/entry/New_announcement_for_z_VSE_Version_6_What_will_be_next?lang=en

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Latest z/VSE 6.1 announcement

- Announced July 19, 2016, available July 22, 2016
- General Print Server (GPS) feature for IBM TCP/IP for z/VSE 2.1
 - Requires license and license key to use it
 - Application Pak license required
- Availability of z/VSE Network Appliance for z13 and z13s servers
- IBM Storage options
 - IBM TS7700 R4.0
 - IBM TS7760
 - IBM TS8880 (TS8884, TS8886, TS8888)
- Statement of general direction (SOD)
 - Stabilization of z/VSE support for the IBM System z10® server family: z/VSE V6.1 is the last z/VSE release planned to support the IBM System z10 server family of servers.

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z Systems server support

- z/VSE V5 supports IBM System z9 (z9 EC, z9 BC)
- z/VSE V5 and V6.1 support IBM z Systems servers:
 - IBM z13, IBM z13s
 - IBM zEnterprise EC12 (zEC12), IBM zEnterprise BC12 (zBC12)
 - IBM zEnterprise 196 (z196), IBM zEnterprise 114 (z114)
 - IBM System z10 (z10 EC, z10 BC)
- z/VSE V5 / V6 can run in an LPAR or as a z/VM guest on all supported z/VM releases ... in uni- or multiprocessor mode

- IBM eServer zSeries z890 Server **end of service** October 31, 2016
http://www-01.ibm.com/common/ssi/printableversion.wss?docURL=/common/ssi/rep_sm/1/897/ENUS2086-h01/index.html
- zBC12 / zEC12 **end of marketing** announcement
<http://www-01.ibm.com/common/ssi/cgi-bin/ssialias?infotype=AN&subtype=CA&htmlfid=897/ENUS916-037&appname=USN>

- Statement of general direction (SOD)
 - z/VSE 6.1 last release planned to support **z10 server** family of servers
 - z13 will be the last z Systems server to support running an operating system in **ESA/390 architecture mode**
 - all 24-bit and 31-bit problemstate application programs originally written to run on the ESA/390 architecture will be unaffected by this change. See z13 announcement January 2015: <http://www-01.ibm.com/common/ssi/cgi-bin/ssialias?infotype=an&subtype=ca&appname=gpatteam&supplier=897&letternum=ENUS115-001>

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z/VM support

- z/VM V5.4
 - z/VM 5.4 withdrawn from service December 31, 2017
<https://www-01.ibm.com/common/ssi/cgi-bin/ssialias?infotype=AN&subtype=CA&htmlfid=897/ENUS916-121&appname=USN>
 - Operates on z800 / z900 or higher, up to zBC12 / zEC12, not supported on z13 / z13s
- z/VM 6.2 - End of service June 30, 2017
 - Supports z10 or higher
- z/VM 6.3 - End of service December 31, 2017
 - SOD: Last release planned to support z10 server family of servers
- z/VM 6.4 preview
 - GA planned for 4Q2016
 - Architectural Level Set (ALS) to z114 / z196
 - http://www-01.ibm.com/common/ssi/ShowDoc.wss?docURL=/common/ssi/rep_ca/9/897/ENUS216-009/index.html&lang=en&request_locale=en

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z Systems support

VSE Release	z800 / z900 z890 / z990	z9	z10	z196 / z114 / zEC12 zBC12 / z13 / z13s	VSE EoM	VSE EoS
Future (SOD)	No	No	No	Yes	tbd	tbd
z/VSE V6.1	No	No	Yes	Yes	tbd	tbd
z/VSE V5.2	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	03/13/2017	tbd
z/VSE V5.1	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	05/23/2014	06/30/2016
z/VSE V4.3	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	06/25/2012	10/31/2014
z/VSE V4.2	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	10/26/2010	10/31/2012
z/VSE V4.1	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	10/17/2008	04/30/2011
z/VSE V3.1	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	05/31/2008	07/31/2009
VSE/ESA V2.7	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	09/30/2005	02/28/2007
VSE/ESA V2.6	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	03/14/2003	03/31/2006

z/VSE release / Hardware status: <http://www-03.ibm.com/systems/z/os/zvse/about/status.html>

z/VSE on IBM z13 & z13s

- IBM z13 & z13s Toleration / Exploitation:
 - At GA toleration PTFs for z/VSE 5.1, 5.2, 6.1 were delivered
see z13 PSP: http://www-01.ibm.com/support/docview.wss?uid=isg1_2964DEVICE_2964-ZVSE
see z13s PSP: http://www-01.ibm.com/support/docview.wss?uid=isg1_2965DEVICE_2965-ZVSE
 - z/VSE
 - can run in more LPARs (85)
 - supports new Crypto Express5S in coprocessor and accelerator mode
 - supports more than 16 domains with the new Crypto Express5S
 - supports new FICON Express16S
 - ECKD and FCP-attached SCSI disks
 - supports newest version of SCRT
 - exploits z Appliance Container Infrastructure (zACI)

z Systems exploitation (overview)

- 64 bit real addressing - up to 32 GB, 64 bit virtual addressing – up to 90 GB
- Large page support (z10 and higher)
- Dynamic add / remove of logical CPs (z10 and higher)
- Network: OSA-Express 3, OSA-Express 4, OSA-Express 5S support
- Crypto: 4096-bit RSA key support with configurable Crypto Express3 (z10, z196, z114)
 - ... and Crypto Express4S (zEC12, zBC12), Crypto Express5S (z13, z13s)
- Exploitation with Linux Fast Path (LFP)
 - HyperSockets Completion Queue on z196, z114 and higher (LFP in LPAR)
 - in z/VM mode LPAR (z10 and higher)
 - z/VSE z/VM IP Assist (z196, z114 and higher)
 - z Appliance Container Infrastructure (zACI – z13, z13s)
 - z/VSE Network Appliance (zACI) – GAed on June 30, 2016
- z Systems and zEnterprise BladeCenter Extension (zBX) support
 - Intra Ensemble Data Network (IEDN) communication using the z/VM VSWITCH
 - Virtual LAN support, Layer 2 support
- Static power save mode supported for SCRT (z196, zEC12, z13)
- I/O: FICON Express8 / FICON Express16S (z13, z13s)
- zEC12 / zBC12 / z13 / z13s do not support ESCON channels

IBM z Systems exploitation

- Following functions are not supported in z/VM guests:
- **Large page** (1 megabyte page) support for data spaces (z10 and higher)
 - Better exploitation of large processor storage, may improve performance
 - No configuration options required
 - Transparent to applications
- **Dynamic add of logical CPs** (z10 and higher)
 - Ability to dynamically add logical central processors (CPs) without preplanning
 - Logical processor add from HMC/SE
 - Allows adding CPs to LPAR without re-IPL of the z/VSE system
 - Capacity of the z/VSE system may be in-/decreased dependent on workload needs
 - New SYSDEF TD parameters (STARTSBY / STOPSBY) to manage the additional CPs

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query td
AR 0015 CPU STATUS SPIN_TIME NP_TIME TOTAL_TIME NP/TOT
AR 0015 00 ACTIVE 0 16367 26978 0.606
AR 0015 01 INACTIVE
AR 0015 02 INACTIVE
AR 0015 03 STANDBY
AR 0015
AR 0015 TOTAL -----
AR 0015 0 16367 26978 0.606
AR 0015
AR 0015 NP/TOT: 0.606 SPIN/(SPIN+TOT): 0.000
AR 0015 OVERALL UTILIZATION: 0% NP UTILIZATION: 0%
AR 0015
AR 0015 CPU BALANCING: NOT ACTIVATED
AR 0015
AR 0015 ELAPSED TIME SINCE LAST RESET: 4026069
AR 0015 11401 READY
```

TCP/IP Connectivity for z/VSE

- TCP/IP stacks are provided by ISVs
- TCP/IP connectivity for IPv4 communication
 - IBM TCP/IP for z/VSE – licensed from CSI International
 - IBM IPv6/VSE – licensed from Barnard Software, Inc. (BSI)
 - Linux fast path (LFP)
- TCP/IP connectivity for IPv6 communication
 - IBM IPv6/VSE
 - Linux Fast Path
- All TCP/IP stacks can run concurrently within one z/VSE system

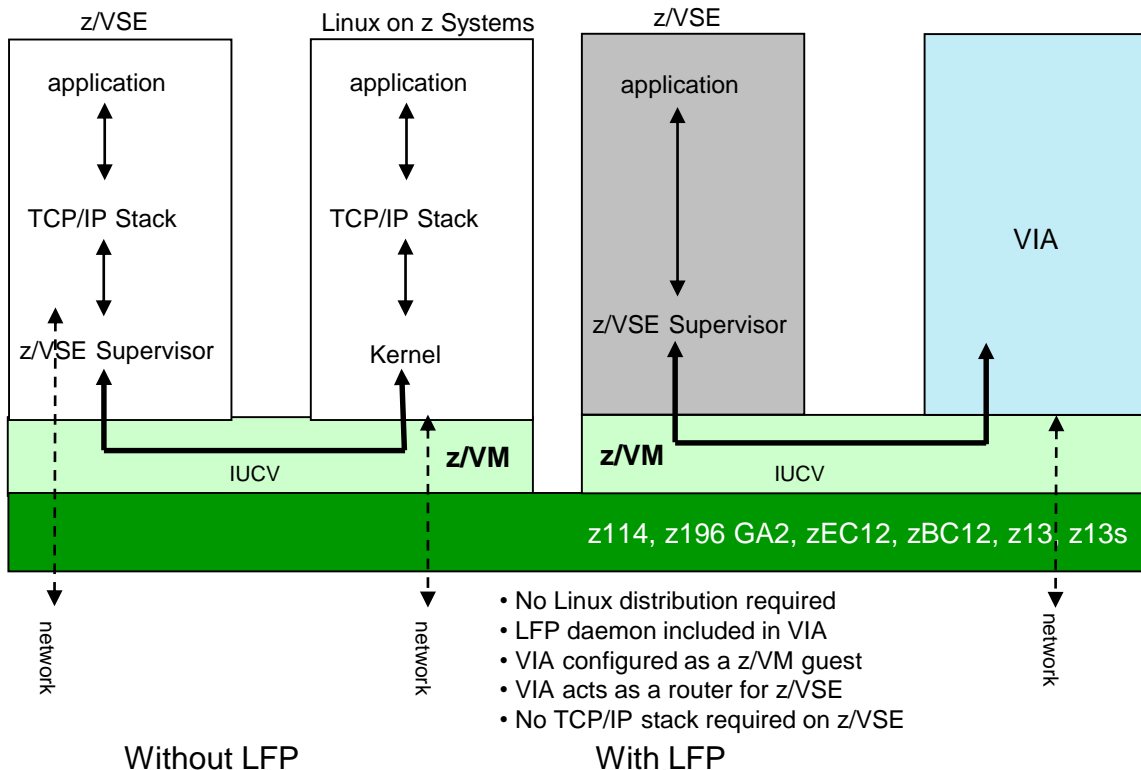
Linux Fast Path (LFP)

- Does not require a TCP/IP stack on z/VSE
- Routes IPv4 or IPv6 socket request from z/VSE applications to Linux on z Systems
- LFP daemon (small program) on Linux forwards the socket request to the Linux TCP/IP stack
- LFP belongs to the z/VSE base product – no additional charge
 - No standard TCP/IP applications (Telnet, FTP, ...) provided
- Customer has to provide
 - System resources (IFL, disk space, ...)
 - Linux distribution (non-firmware solution)
- Benefits
 - z/VSE customers may
 - save a TCP/IP license
 - better balance system resources (offload CPU cycles to Linux)
 - improve performance for some applications

Linux Fast Path (LFP) ...

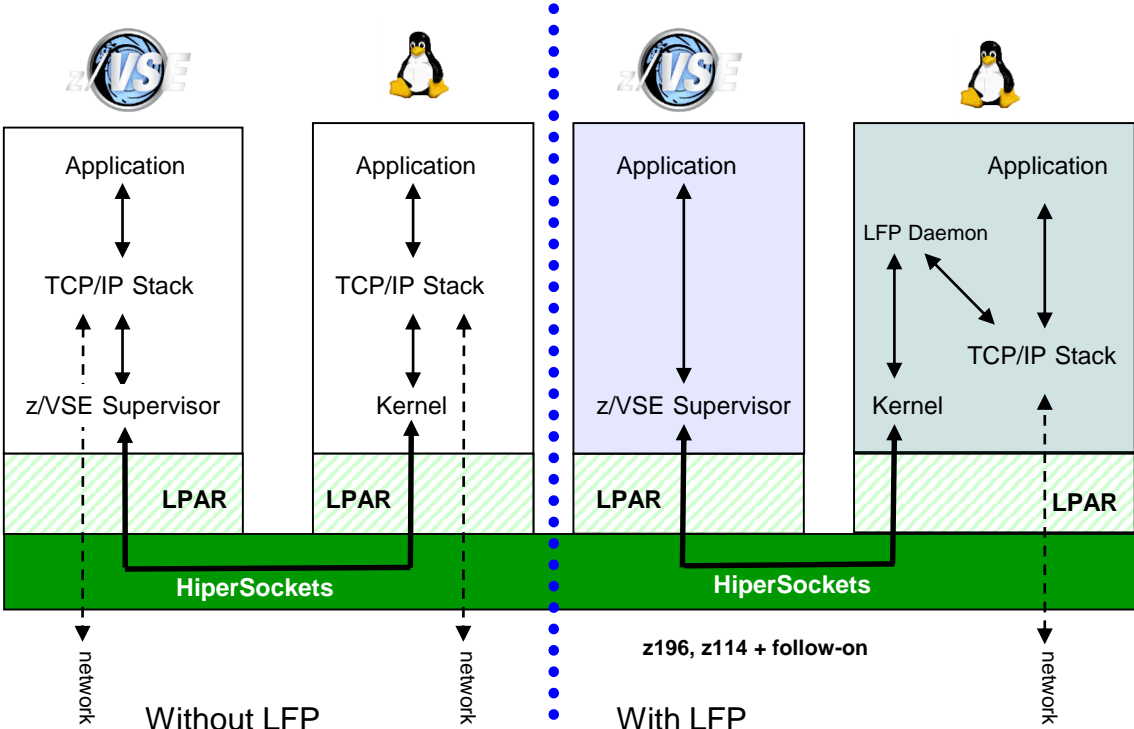
- LFP on z/VM
 - IUCV based communication between z/VSE and Linux on z Systems
 - Both – z/VSE and Linux – need to be z/VM guests of the same z/VM
 - Linux distribution provided by the customer
- LFP using z/VSE z/VM IP Assist (VIA)
 - IUCV based communication between z/VSE and VIA appliance
 - Both – z/VSE and the VIA appliance – need to be z/VM guests of the same z/VM
 - VIA appliance provided by firmware
- LFP in LPAR
 - HiperSockets based communication between z/VSE and Linux on z Systems
 - z/VSE and Linux in LPARs
 - Linux distribution provided by the customer
- LFP using z/VSE Network Appliance (VNA) – available since June 30, 2016
 - HiperSockets based communication between z/VSE and VNA
 - z/VSE and VNA in LPARs

LFP - z/VSE z/VM IP Assist (VIA)



Linux Fast Path in LPAR - z/VSE V5 and V6

Faster communication between z/VSE and Linux applications under z/VM



z/VSE Network Appliance (VNA)

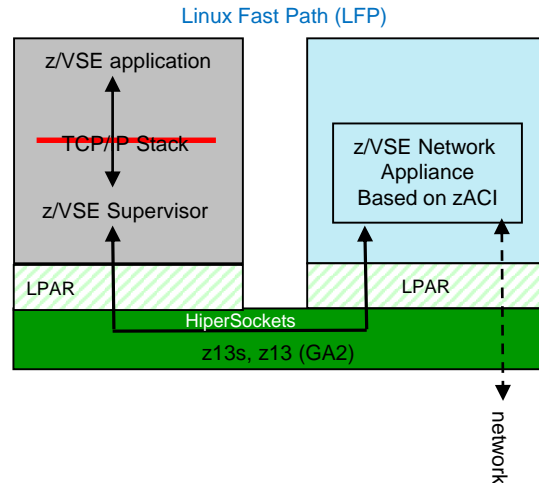
- New with z13 GA2 / z13s, available since June 30, 2016
- VNA acts as a router for z/VSE
- TCP/IP application uses Linux Fast Path (LFP) and connects through HiperSockets to VNA
- Based on z Appliance Container Infrastructure (zACI) delivered with z13s and z13 GA2
- z/VSE is first exploiter of zACI

- No Linux license,
No TCP/IP stack required on z/VSE,
No z/VM required to connect to the network

- Supported with z/VSE 6.1 and 5.2,
works with z/VSE 5.1

- VNA for LPAR only

- zVSE - z/VM IP Assist (VIA) for z/VM guests



64 bit real addressing

- Processor storage support up to 32 GB
- 64 bit real addressing only, introduced with z/VSE 4.1
- Implementation transparent to user applications
- Performance: 64 bit real can reduce / avoid paging
- Many z/VSE environments can run without a page dataset (NOPDS option)

64 bit virtual

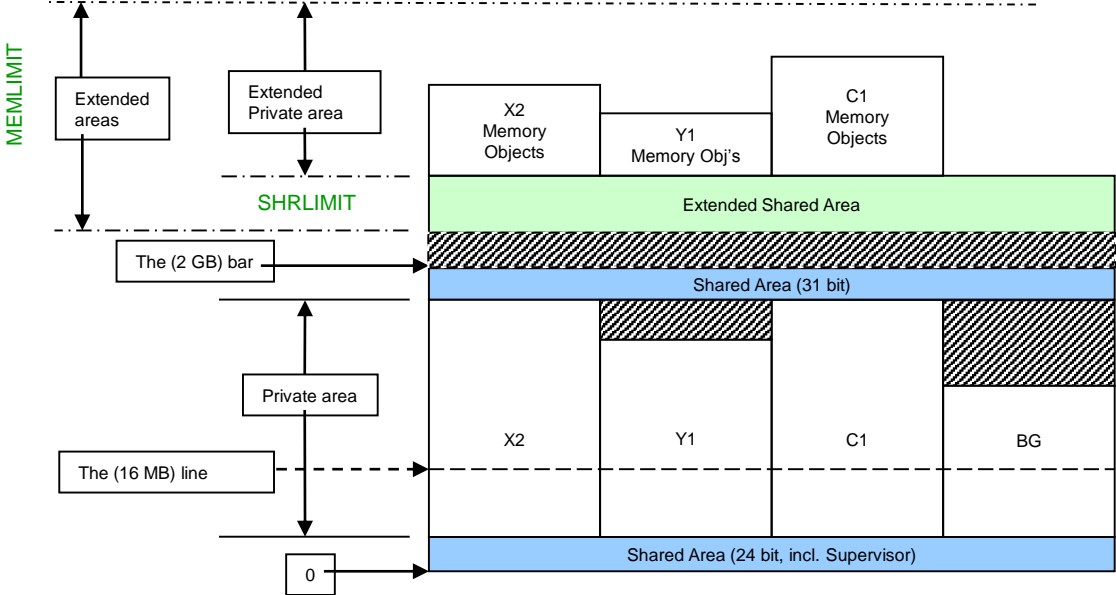
- Support 64 bit virtual addressing - Virtual address space > 2 GB
- 64 bit area can be used for **data only**
 - No instruction execution above the bar
- Data space size remains at max. 2 GB

- **z/OS affinity:** APIs (IARV64 services) - to manage memory objects – compatible with z/OS
 - Private memory objects for use in one address space
 - Shared memory objects to be shared among multiple address spaces

- Maximum VSIZE still limited to 90 GB

- Advantages:
 - Eases the access of large amounts of data, e.g. instead of using data spaces
 - Reduces complexity of programs - data contained in primary address space
 - Design has no dependencies to existing APIs, minor impact on existing system code

64 bit virtual - address space layout



64 bit virtual I/O for applications

- I/O buffers
 - Can be created above the bar (above 2 GB)
 - Supported in **private memory objects** only

- Supported for ECKD devices
 - Not supported for FBA / SCSI / tape devices, LIOCS

- Interfaces
 - SYSCOM bit IJBIO64E in IJBIOFL1, if 64 bit virtual I/O support available
 - CCB macro with a new parameter: IDAW=FORMAT2
 - CCB points to a Format-0 or Format-1 CCW
 - CCW with IDA-flag and data address point to a single Format-2 IDAW containing a 64 bit virtual address.
 - I/O control blocks to be allocated below the bar (in 31 bit storage)
 - I/O buffer will be TFIxed by I/O Supervisor, not necessary to PFIx the I/O buffer

z Systems FICON / OSA-Express support

- FICON Express8 / FICON Express16S (z13, z13s) - Higher I/O bandwidth
- Adapter interruptions (may improve performance)
 - OSA-Express3 / OSA-Express4S / OSA-Express5S (QDIO mode)
 - FICON Express8 / FICON Express8S / FICON Express16S (FCP)

- OSA-Express features
 - 10 Gigabit Ethernet, Gigabit Ethernet
 - 1000BASE-T Ethernet (4 modes of operation)
 - ICC (Integrated Console Controller)
 - QDIO (Queued Direct I/O) for TCP/IP traffic
 - Non-QDIO for TCP/IP and SNA traffic
 - OSN (Open System Adapter for NCP) works with IBM Communication Controller for Linux on z Systems
- z/VM queued-I/O assist for real networking devices
 - OSA-Express adapters (CHIPID type OSD)
 - Hipersockets (CHIPID type IQD)

OSA-Express Support

- OSA-Express for high-speed communication
 - OSA-Express3 on z10, z196, z114, zEC12, zBC12
 - OSA-Express4S on z114, z196 and zEC12, zBC12
 - OSA-Express5S on zEC12, zBC12, z13, z13s
- OSA-Express for non-QDIO environments (CHPID type OSE)
 - SNA and passthru traffic require configuration via OSA/SF
 - OSA-Express4S / OSA-Express5S on HMC (zEC12, zBC12, z13, z13s)
- z/VSE supports the Gigabit Ethernet (GbE) and 10 Gigabit Ethernet (10 GbE) features
 - To be configured in IOCDS as CHPID type OSD (other CHPID types not supported)
 - Exploited by TCP/IP via DEFINE LINK,TYPE=OSAX command
- Port specification for TCP/IP
 - OSA-Express 10 GbE features: one port per CHPID to connect to the network
 - OSA-Express GbE: two ports per CHPID – port 0 and port 1
 - To use port 0, no port specification is necessary
 - To use port 1, the port needs to be specified, e.g.:
`DEFINE LINK,TYPE=OSAX,DEV=D00,DATAPATH=D02,OSAPORT=1`

z Systems HiperSockets

- “network in the box”, TCP/IP based communication at near memory speed within one system
 - System z Logical Partitions (LPARs)
 - z/VM guests (via virtual guest LAN)
 - z/VM guests and LPARs
- z/VSE may communicate with
 - Linux on z Systems
 - z/OS
 - z/VM
 - z/VSE V4 and higher
- Virtual HiperSockets via z/VM Guest LAN support
- HiperSockets Completion Queue (z/VSE V5, z/VSE 6.1)

Configurable network buffers

- Configurable network buffers for HiperSockets and OSA Express devices
 - May improve TCP/IP performance
 - Up to 64 QDIO (Queued Direct I/O) buffers
 - To be configured in configuration file (IJBONCONF.PHASE)
 - Requires PFIxed partition 31 bit GETVIS space
 - For OSA-Express (CHPID OSD, OSX), HiperSockets (CHPID IQD)

- Configurable
 - input buffers for HiperSockets and OSA Express devices (since z/VSE 5.1)
 - output buffers for HiperSockets and OSA Express devices (z/VSE 6.1)

z Systems hardware cryptographic support

- Enhances Internet security
- Encryption support via crypto cards or on the processor itself (CPACF)
CPACF = Central Processor Assist for Cryptographic Functions
- Cryptographic assists
 - Exploited by the SSL support of TCP/IP transparently
 - Encryption Facility for z/VSE
- Transparent for “TCP/IP” applications
 - VSE connector server, CICS Web Support, VSE/Power PNET, ...
- No definition necessary

System z hardware cryptographic support ...

- CPACF – for symmetric encryption
 - AES for 128-bit keys (z9 EC, z9 BC), AES for 256 keys (z10 EC or higher)

- Crypto Express2 / Express3 / Express4S / Express5S – for asymmetric encryption
 - Encryption hardware assist for increased SSL throughput
 - Supports SSL handshaking only for applications that use the SSL crypto API
 - zEC12 / zBC12: Crypto Express4S support (z/VSE 5.1 + PTF, z/VSE 5.2, z/VSE 6.1)
 - z13 / z13s: Crypto Express5S support (z/VSE V5 + PTF, z/VSE 6.1)
 - More than 16 domain support: APAR DY47586
 - 2048-bit RSA key with Crypto Express2
 - 4096-bit RSA key support with configurable Crypto Express3 / Crypto Express4S / 5S
 - Configurable Crypto Express
 - Dynamically configurable in coprocessor or accelerator mode
 - Dynamic change of cryptographic processors
 - Add/remove cryptographic processor - z10 LPAR or higher
 - AP (adjunct processor)-queue adapter-interruption facility
 - May accelerate the SSL throughput

Signal Quiesce (Signal Shutdown) Support

- If e.g. an IML or IPL is performed via the HMC / SE or z/VM SIGNAL SHUTDOWN , a signal-quiesce event is generated.
- Need to be enabled via IPL SYS QUIESCE=YES | NO
- If QUIESCE=YES a message is generated:

0W01D DO YOU WANT TO CONTINUE SYSTEM SHUTDOWN (WILL BE FORCED AFTER TIMEOUT)?
REPLY 'YES' TO ENTER HARD WAIT STATE OR 'NO'

- If the operator reply is **yes**,
 - The system will enter the disabled wait state
- If the operator reply is **no** or does not reply, the system will wait for a predefined time interval
 - Console automation can initiate a controlled system shutdown
- z/VSE does not provide controlled shutdown processing

4 digit CUUs

- Ease of use and infrastructure simplification
 - In mixed environments running z/VSE together with z/VM, Linux on z Systems or z/OS
 - Removes the requirement for a z/VSE specific IOCDs configuration
 - Provides more flexibility
- 4 digit CUUs transparent to applications and most system programs
 - Implemented via mapping to 3 digit CUUs during IPL
 - z/VSE will only use 3 digit CUUs after IPL complete

Exploitation of IBM System Storage Products

- IBM System Storage TS1120 / TS1130 / TS1140 Tape Drive
- IBM System Storage TS7700 / TS7720 / **TS7760** Virtualization Engine
 - Copy Export function of TS7700 Virtualization Engine for disaster recovery
 - Multi-Cluster Grid support of the TS7700 Virtualization Engine Series
- IBM System Storage TS3400 autoloader Tape Library
- IBM System Storage TS3500 Tape Library

- IBM 3592 Tape Controller Model C07 **end of marketing** announcement, effective June 17, 2016
<http://www-01.ibm.com/common/ssi/cgi-bin/ssialias?subtype=ca&infotype=an&appname=iSource&supplier=897&letternum=ENUS916-074>

Tape Data Encryption

- IBM TS1120 / TS1130 / TS1140 Tape Drive with encryption feature
 - Supports data encryption within the drive itself
 - Using Systems Managed Encryption with the TS1120 / TS1130 / TS1140
 - z/VSE support requires an encryption key manager component running on another operating system other than z/VSE using an out-of-band connection.
 - Generation and communication of encryption keys for tape drive
 - TCP/IP connection between the encryption key manager and the tape controller
 - Data encryption
 - Data will be encrypted and compressed, when specified
 - Default: encryption disabled
 - Data encryption is transparent to z/VSE applications

 - Encryption re-keying support to encrypt data key of encrypted tape cartridge

Data Encryption ...

- Encryption Key Manager (EKM) for TS1120 and TS1130
 - EKM is a Java application, used to generate and protect AES keys
 - On request EKM generates AES (256 bit) data keys and protects those keys
 - Key encryption key label (KEKL) identifies the encryption keys
 - The KEKL or the hash value of the public key can be stored on the cartridge.
 - You may download EKM from the internet

- Encryption Key manager for TS1140
 - Requires the product IBM Security Key Lifecycle Manager (SKLM)

Data Encryption ...

- In z/VSE jobs must have an ASSGN statement and KEKL statement to access or write encrypted data

- ASSGN statement
 - ASSGN SYSnnn, cuu, mode
 - cuu = device address
 - mode =
 - 03 encryption write mode
 - 0B encryption and IDRC write mode
 - 23 encryption and unbuffered (compression) write mode
 - 2B encryption and IDRC and unbuffered write mode

- KEKL statement
 - // KEKL UNIT=cuu, KEKL1=key_label_1, KEM={L|H}
 - KEM = key encoding mechanism
 - L = label, H = public key hash

Exploitation of IBM System Storage Products ...

- IBM System Storage DS8000/DS6000 64K cylinder support:
 - Allows consolidation of smaller disks volumes
 - Supported by BAM and VSE/VSAM

- VSAM supports more than 1,500 clusters per catalog
- VSAM FAT-BIG DASD support
 - **Small DASD** (normal): smaller than 64k tracks per volume
 - 3390 in LISTCAT
 - Large DASD with two subtypes:
 - **Big DASD**: more than 64k tracks per volume
 - BIG-3390 in LISTCAT
 - Support of up to 10017 cylinders
 - **Fat DASD**: up to 64k cylinders
 - FAT-3390 in LISTCAT
 - New type of volume

Parallel Access Volume (PAV)

- Optional licensed feature of DS8000, DS6000, ESS series
- Enables z/VSE to simultaneously process multiple I/O operations to the same volume
 - Can provide enhanced throughput
 - Can help to consolidate small volumes to large volumes
- Multiple logical addresses to the same physical device
 - = Base and alias volumes for concurrent processing of I/O operations
 - Configuration in DASD, IOCDs and z/VSE
 - Base device: physical device to be added during IPL
 - Alias device(s) are associated to the base device.
 - z/VSE supports up to 7 alias devices
- Multiple z/VSE jobs can transfer data to or from the same physical volume in parallel
- All z/VSE references to I/O devices (e.g. in JCL) relate to the base device
- In z/VSE PAV processing can be dynamically activated or deactivated via the AR/JCL command `SYSDEF PAV=START` or `STOP`
- Max. 1023 I/O devices can be added, if PAV to be activated

SOD: High Performance FICON support in z/VSE

- High Performance FICON (zHPF) for ECKD devices only
 - Channel programs are translated to zHPF commands
 - Transparent to applications
- z/VSE
 - Supports zHPF implementation phase 1
 - Translates a subset of CCW commands (define extent, locate record, TIC, ...)
 - If transport mode I/O results in an I/O error, the request will be retried in command mode
 - z/VM APAR to support phase 1 for z/VM guests
- Benefits
 - May improve I/O performance
 - Highly dependent on workload characteristics
- **Not yet available: Announced in April 2016 as Statement of general direction (SOD)**

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FlashCopy Support

- Available on IBM System Storage DS8000, DS6000 and ESS series
- Source and copied data almost available immediately
- NOCOPY option
 - Direct copy to backup device
- Dataset copy
 - Source and target volumes may have different sizes
 - Should not be used for VSAM files
- Multiple relationship FlashCopy
 - Up to 12 volumes from one source in a single FlashCopy operation

FlashCopy Support ...

- Space Efficient Flashcopy (IBM System Storage DS8000 FlashCopy SE)
 - Allocates storage on target volume only “as-needed”, if copied tracks from source volume

- FlashCopy Consistency Group
 - Allows to create a consistent point-in-time copy across multiple volumes

- Supported by ICKDSF only
 - DS8000 Remote Mirror and Copy (RMC) – Metro Mirror
 - Peer-to Peer Remote Copy (PPRC)
 - Allows remote data replication

- z/VSE does not support:
 - Incremental FlashCopy
 - Persistent FlashCopy relationship
 - Inband Commands over Remote Mirror link

SCSI Support in z/VSE

- SCSI disks as emulated FBA disks on z/VM
 - z/VSE supports a max. size of 2 GB

- Direct attached SCSI disks
 - z/VSE supports up to 24 GB (VSAM: 16 GB)
 - z/VSE supports SCSI disk devices only

- Transparent to all VSE applications and subsystems
 - Reasons for transparency:
 - z/VSE's SCSI implementation is based on FBA support
 - FBA to SCSI emulation on low level I/O interface
 - Applications can not exploit SCSI commands directly

SCSI Support in z/VSE

- FCP-attached SCSI disk support (IBM System Storage)
 - DS8000, DS6000 and ESS series
 - SAN Volume Controller (SVC)
 - To access FCP-SCSI disks in DS8000, DS6000, DS4000 and ESS series as well as disk subsystems from other manufacturers supported by SVC
 - IBM XIV Storage System
 - IBM Storwize V7000
 - IBM Storwize V5000 Midrange Disk
 - IBM Storwize V3700 / V3500 Entry Disk
 - IBM FlashSystem V840 / V9000

SCSI Support in z/VSE

- Access SCSI devices through Fibre Channel Protocol (FCP)
- z/VSE's SCSI support includes:
 - SCSI for system and data device (SCSI only system)
 - Multipathing for fail-over
- SCSI support transparent to existing (I/O) APIs
- SCSI disk devices utilize fixed block sectors
 - Block size restricted to 512 bytes,
even if the SCSI device can be configured with larger block sizes
- Fast Service Upgrade (FSU) from SCSI to SCSI device only

SCSI Support - Configuration

- IPL / JCL commands and dialog to define and query a SCSI device

- Required steps to get a SCSI device known to z/VSE
 - Device configuration

 - Switch configuration
 - In case of point to point connections not necessary

 - FCP Adapter to be configured in IOCDs (CHIPID type FCP)

 - FCP adapter and SCSI disk to be defined in VSE via
 - IPL ADD commands to define FCP and FBA device
 - IPL DEF or JCL SYSDEF command to define connection to LUN

SOD: Enhancements for SCSI device support

- **Tapeless installation**
 - Available since z/VSE 5.2 for ECKD
 - Tools provided to create an installation disk (supported in LPAR and z/VM guest)
 - Installation disk contains a boot program and the z/VSE base tape in AWS file format
 - Tapeless installation to be enhanced for installation disk on **FCP-attached SCSI devices**
 - Installation on ECKD, FBA and FCP-attached SCSI disks supported
 - Supports initial installation only
- **Not yet available: Announced in April 2016 as Statement of general direction (SOD)**

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Documentation related to z/VSE

- z/VSE documentation page - <http://www-03.ibm.com/systems/z/os/zvse/documentation/>

- z/VSE Collection Kit - November 2015
 - Available for download in IBM Publication Center
 - Electronic only, not on physical DVD

- Documentation of z/VSE releases - z/VSE Internet Library on <http://www.ibm.com/systems/z/os/zos/bkserv/vse.html>

- z/VSE Knowledge Center: http://www.ibm.com/support/knowledgecenter/SSB27H/zvse_welcome.html
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 - z/VSE SCSI Support and Migration Options
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 - Parallel Access Volume (PAV) white paper

More Information

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- Ingolf's z/VSE blog: <https://www.ibm.com/developerworks/mydeveloperworks/blogs/vse>

- Hints and Tips for z/VSE 6.1:
 - <http://www.ibm.com/systems/z/os/zvse/documentation/#hints>

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