

The Value and Differentiation of System z

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Job Aids

[The Mainframe: Myth versus Reality](#)

Compares 10 myths about the mainframe with the reality about the mainframe.

[The Mainframe versus the Distributed System](#)

Compares mainframe to distributed system attributes: reliability, availability, security, total cost of ownership, efficiency, scalability, and energy efficiency.

[Mainframe versus Centralized versus Distributed System](#)

Discusses how the terms "Mainframe", "Centralized" and "Distributed" are used in the course, and where System x, p and z fit into the spectrum.

Document containing the terms and definitions in the [glossary](#) section

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ibm.com

[IBM Mainframe Home Page](#)

Main page for IBM System z servers, including software, operating systems, enterprise solutions, and more.

[IBM z/OS Home Page](#)

Main page for the IBM System z operating system.

[IBM Destination z](#)

The IBM home for the mainframe community. Your entry point to learn about System z and what it can do for you, gain skills to help you deploy mainframe solutions, reach out to others in the mainframe community, and find key IBM Business Partners and their mainframe solutions.

[The Strength of System z](#)

Satisfied users of IBM System z discuss the strength of the platform and how it helps transform their business to a more efficient model.

[IBM System z Software](#)

Main page for IBM System z software, including Products by category and Products A to Z.

[IBM: New to System z](#)

Materials for someone with basic technical expertise who has to come up to speed on the mainframe in general, System z in particular.

[Mainframe Video Library](#)

Videos and animations about System z mainframes.

[FAQ on System z](#)

Learn about IBM mainframe servers and related products.

[IBM Terminology](#)

This page consolidates the terminology from many IBM products in one convenient location.

[IBM zFavorites for System z](#)

A collection of links to helpful System z Web sites. It has links to various interest categories, such as products, product documentation, software and solutions, support and more.

[IBM z/OS Internet Library](#)

z/OS LibraryCenters for current and previous releases of the z/OS operating system.

[z/OS Support](#)

Links to support for z/OS and mainframe servers.

[Rational Products: Rational Developer for System z](#)

Find technical developer content and resources for IBM® Rational Developer® for System z with Java and IBM® Rational Developer® for System z with EGL.

[Data serving and data warehousing](#)

Business intelligence and data warehousing solutions on System z.

[IBM DeveloperWorks](#)

IBM's resource for developers and IT professionals.

[IBM Enterprise Modernization Sandbox](#)

Experience and evaluate the IBM Enterprise Modernization solutions for the System z through hands-on participation, guided walk-thru and usage of live, running development scenarios and solutions.

[IBM Enterprise Modernization](#)

IBM Rational® enterprise modernization solutions can help you cost effectively and incrementally evolve core IT systems towards modern architectures and technologies, reducing maintenance burden and freeing up more resources to develop new business requirements and capabilities.

[IBM EGL Café](#)

The EGL language provides a simpler, more productive way to write cross-platform, network-enabled business solutions for distributed computing environments.

[Top Gun Training](#)

Top Gun training is for sales and solution specialists, brand managers, IBM business partners, CSSRs, SSRs, SSMs, client reps, pricers, campaign specialists and telemarketing personnel or anyone who spends a significant amount of their time selling, marketing or supporting IBM Systems and IBM Software products and solutions.

[IBM System z Software Top Gun](#)

This is a high-energy class which focuses on IBM's System z software. Students will learn how to sell the value customers receive from System z software, and how our value differentiates this platform from others in the marketplace today.

[IBM Academic Initiative, System z course materials](#)

Course materials for the System z program of the IBM Academic Initiative. Most of the materials are intended for use in a 15-week semester IT course.

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[IBM Systems Magazine \(Mainframe\)](#)

IBM Systems Magazine, Mainframe edition is a free digital magazine.

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Articles to help you better manage your mainframe.

[IBM Academic Initiative](#)

The IBM Academic Initiative System z program seeks to ensure that the next generation of mainframe experts will be available to help more companies and organizations leverage the superior security, availability, scalability, and efficiency of the mainframe.

[IBM System z Redbooks](#)

IBM Redbooks and Redpapers on System z, available in Adobe PDF format and may be viewed online or downloaded for offline viewing and printing.

[Green IT—Energy Efficiency](#)

IBM System z offers extraordinary energy efficiency capabilities.

[Mainframe Photo Album](#)

A visual history of the mainframe, from the earliest IBM systems to the latest technology.

[System Programmer Portal](#)

Access information on maintaining, performance, license management, planning, tools and toys, and ordering for IBM system z.

[System z Security](#)

Details on the security-rich holistic design of the IBM mainframe.

[System z Resources](#)

This page allows you to easily literature, technical resources, contacts and Business Partner resources for System z.

[Parallel Sysplex](#)

With IBM's Parallel Sysplex technology, you can harness the power of up to 32 z/OS systems, yet make these systems behave like a single, logical computing facility.

[Disk Systems](#)

The IBM System Storage Disk Systems products and offerings provide compelling storage solutions with superior value for all levels of business.

[I/O and Connectivity](#)

At the heart of a Dynamic Infrastructure is the need to get to data fast and scale with business demands and growth.

Customer Success Stories

[IBM Success Stories](#)

Browse case studies by customer, by partner, or by industry.

[System z Software Customer Testimonials](#) Videos of customers talking about the value of the mainframe, total cost of ownership, leveraging core applications, consolidation and simplification, and modern workloads.

External General Support

[Planet MVS](#)

This is a non-profit web site that is dedicated to helping fellow MVS (OS/390) systems programmers. It is a "fan" site of the MVS operating system and IBM mainframes in general.

[Mainframe Programming, Useful Links for Practitioners](#)

Links to General Resources, Programming Languages, CICS, WebSphere MQ, DB2, Operating Systems, System/390, Users Groups and Training.

[SDS Mainframes.com Definition](#)

Essays on "What is a Mainframe".

[Mainframe Meets The Office: Bob Hoey videos](#)

Entertaining trilogy of short videos created for internal IBM sales meetings.

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